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23. In the event of appointment will you be willing to proceed to Washington, D. C., upon ten
days' notice and at your own expense?
24. If appointed are you willing and prepared to accept assignment or transfer to any part of the
United States where services are required, for either temporary or permanent duration?
25. Attach unmounted face photograph not larger than 3 by 4% inches. Write your name plainly on back of nhotograph to be taken not more than thirty days prior to date of application.
Respectfully,
Worald J. Fichalos
(Signature of applicant)
Note.—If the applicant desires to make any further remarks or statement concerning his qualifications or in answer to any question contained in the appli-
cation, the same should be made on a separate sheet of paper, numbering the remarks in accordance with original questions.
Note.—The following the subscribed to by all applicants for positions in the Bureau of Investigation.
Subscribed and duly sworn to before me by the above-named applicant, this day
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H.S. Department of Instice Bureau of Investigation Washington, A.C.

June 30, 1931.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: DONALD T. NICHOLSON
Applicant for a Position as Special Agent.

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Age: 25. Single.

L.L. B. Degree - George Washington Law School, Washington, D. C. A.B. Degree - Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa.

Applicant is a legal resident of Spangler, Pa.

Applicant attended Spangler High School, Spangler, Pa. from 1919
to 1922; attended Barnesboro High School, Barnesboro, Pa. from
1922 to 1923; attended Bethlehem Prep. School, Bethlehem, Pa. from
1923 to 1924; attended Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa. from 1924
to 1928, receiving an A.B. Degree; and attended George Washington
Law School, Washington, D. C. from 1928 to 1931, receiving an L.L. B.
Degree. Applicant has been employed by the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke
Corp., Marsteller, Pa., as a Machinist, during the summers of 1924,
1925, 1926, and 1927; and employed by the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke
Corp., Cresson, Pa., as a Machinist, during the summer of 1928.

Respectfully,

H. J. SCHNEIDER.

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JUL 1.1931 June 30, 1931.

Reference T. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your application for appointment to the position of Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, is hereby acknowledged, and you are advised that same will be given consideration when the next vacancies occur.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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June 4, 1931.

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Rice Lille Erone, 3519 O Street, N. W., salled personally and was given a blank for the position of typist.

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Mr. R. W. Hopker, Florence, South Carolina, called personally and was given a blank for the position of messenger. He elates he does not have typing ability but expects to take a source in typing.

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Miss Melen Scanland, 1915 Manuschusetts Avenue Merthwest, called personally and was given a blank for the position of Typist.

Miss Margaret Seker, 1415 ? Street Morthwest, telephones and requested a re-exemination for the position of Stanographer of Typist. She was informed that she would be advised when she could have a re-exemination.

for the position of Messenger.

Mr. B. L. Richelson, 1803 - 194m Street Morthwest, called personally was wes given a blank for the position of Special Agent.

The Secretary to Senator Thomas P. Gore of Oxlahoma, called by phone and requested the status of the application of T. J. Collins as Special Agent. She was advised that an application black was a sent to Mr. Collins and same would receive appropriate attention when received by the Eureck.

Mr. William White, applicant for Chauffour or Messenger, personally called with respect to the status of his application. It is noted from his file that he is not qualified, and he was therefore advised that there were no vecencies at the present time and none were auticipated.

Edward Hoffron, 2714 Quarry Road, Washington, D. C., called and was given an application blank for Special Agent. He is at present suplayed in the United States Warshalls office, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Buight C. Brown, Vienna, Virginia, applicant - Messenger, personally called and desired to know if he could be advised as to his status. He was advised that there are no vacancies at present.

The Secretary to Congressmen Surder called and desired to know the minimum and maximum science of Special Agents. He was advised that \$2900.00 was the minimum salary, but the maximum was not known, by this Division.

Respectfully,

H. J. Salmelder.

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July 3, 1931.

Mr. Donald T. Micholson, Spangler, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Please report, at your own expense, at Room 308, Hurley-Wright Building, 18th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Mashington, D. C., promptly at 9 A. M., Wednesday, July 8, 1931, for a personal interview and examination in connection with your application on file for a position with this Bureau. This request for a personal interview is not to be taken as encouragement of possible appointment.

Very truly yours,

Clyde A. Tolson, Inspector.

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COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS.

July 7, 1931.



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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Senator Reed is glad to join Congressman

Leech in endorsing Mr. D. L. Nicholson of Spangler,

Cambria County, Cennsylvania, for appointment as
a special agent in the Bureau of Investigation.

Mr. Nicholson has been interviewed by Inspector Tolson. He seems to be an unusually good man and Senator Reed hopes that you can use him.

Very truly yours

Secretary to Senator Reed.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS

July 8, 1931

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Director, Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am advised that Mr. D. L. Nicholson of Spangler, Pennsylvania, was today examined by representatives of your Bureau for possible appointment as a Special Agent.

I am glad to bring to your attention certain qualifications which I believe are required by your Bureau of perspective appointees. Mr. Nicholson, I think, has more than oridnary education, being a high school graduate, a graduate of Bucknell University in Arts and Science, and more recently a graduate of the George Washing School of Law. Those who know Mr. Nicholson intimately in his immediate vicinity speak of him in the highest terms, emphasizing particularly his honesty, intelligency and industry.

It would be pleasing to me if favorable action could be given his application.

on 7/14/31

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July 14, 1931.

Mr. T. A. Huntley, Secretary to Hon. David A. Reed, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Huntley:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated July 7, 1931, advising of Senator Reed's interest in Mr. D. T. Nicholson, who is desirous of obtaining a position as Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

You are advised that a notation has been made in Mr. Nicholson's personnel file of Senator Reed's interest in him and his case will be carefully considered at such time as it is possible to appoint one having his qualifications. At the present time there are no vacancies in the service.

Respectfully yours,

Director.

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JUL 1931

REMAT **57-20085-**

Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, 1206 Law and Finance Building. Pittsburgh, Pa.

July 10, 1931.

Dear Sir:

Please institute an immediate investigation to determine the following named applicant's character, reputation, ability and qualifications for the posi-

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Position: Special Agent

Applicant: Spengler. Pa.

Address:

References and Personal History:

J. H. Russell Leech, Congressmen, Ebensburg, Pa.

Mead B. Cowher, Patton, Pa.

J. Harrison westover, Attorney, Spangler, Pa. Fred McVilliams, Chief Electrician, Cresson, Pa.

Applicant states that he attended Spangler, Pa., High School, from 1919 to 1922; Barnesboro, Pa., High School, from 1922 to 1923.

Applicant states that he was employed by the Penna. Coal & Coke Corp., Maratellar, Pa., as a Machinist during the summers from 1924 to 1927; and by the same Cornoration as mentioned above, at Cresson, Pa., as a Machinist, during the summer of 1928.

Applicant is 25 years of age, single, and a legal resident of Spangler, Pa. He was born February 20, 1906, at Hastings, Pa.

It is desired that this case be given preferred attention and a closing report be submitted to the Bureau at the earliest possible date,

Office of Origin: Auxiliary Offices: Pittaburah

Philadelphia, Washington

I desire that you cause a very complete and thorough investigation to be made in the community in which the applicant has been a resident and has probably had business and social dealings. The investigation should not be confined to the references given, as experience shows they are usually favorable, but you will be expected to check carefully the applicant's past life, standing and reputation in all previous business associations as listed above or such as your investigation may disclose. RECURVILL

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Director.

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July 14, 1931.

Hon. James J. Davis, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated July 8, 1931, in behalf of Mr. D. T. Nicholson, who is an applicant for appointment to the position of Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

I am very glad to have your recommendation of Mr. Nicholson and have placed your letter in his personnel file to be given consideration in connection with his application at such time as it is possible to appoint one having his qualifications. At the present time there are no vacancies in the service.

With expressions of my best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

JUL 14: 1931

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Special Agent in Charge. Bureau of Investigation. Burley-Wright Building, Washington, D.C.

July 10, 1931.

Dear Sir:

Please institute an immediate investigation to determine the following named applicant's character, reputation, ability and qualifications for the position sought:

Applicant:

Donald T. Micholson

Spangler, Pa.

Position: Special Agent

Address: References and Personal History:

J. A. Breen, Jr., 1650 Howard St., Jashington, D.C.

Applicant states that he attended George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C., from 1928 to 1931, receiving an IL.B. degree in the latter year. He states that he took the recent D.C. Bar examination.

Applie at is 25 years of age, single, and a legal resident of Spengler, Pas He was born February 20, 1906, at Hastings, Pa.

It is desired that this case be given preferred attention and a eleging report be submitted at the earliest possible date.

I desire that you cause a very complete and thorough investigation to be made of this applicant. The inquiries made should not be confined to the references given above, as experience shows they are usually favorable. Anything that your investigation may disclose further than the above references should be reported.

The office of origin in this case is , and Pitteburgh copies of your report should be forwarded to that office.

Your report covering this investigation should be forwarded to the Bureau at the earliest practicable date.

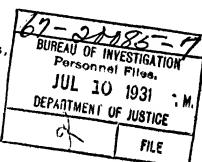
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Very truly yours,

Director.



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Special Agent in Charge, Burcau of Investigation, Federal Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

July 10, 1931.

Dear Sir:

Please institute an immediate investigation to determine the following named applicant's character, reputation, ability and qualifications for the position sought:

Applicant:

D mald T. Nicholson

Spengler, Pa.

Position:

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Address:

References and Personal History:

Applicant states that he attended Bethlehem Preparatory School, Bethlehem, Pa., from 1925 to 1924; and received an A.B. degree from Buckmell University, Lewisburg, Pa., in 1928.

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Very truly yours,

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PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	C. L. KEEP	. , **
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:	References	furnished by Appli	sept and	*,

References furnished by Applicant and others who knew him, interviewed. All speak very highly of his character, repetation, and ability for position which he is an applicant for. School record good, no priminal record.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated July 10, 1931.

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AT EBENSBURG, PA.

Agent endeavored to interview Congressmen J. R. Russell Leech. His home was closed and from neighbors Agent learned that he was spending his yacation at See Isle City, New Jersey, and that he would not return for three or four weeks.

From the County Registrar's Office Agent learned that they did not have the birth record of applicant as all birth records after January 1, 1906 were sent to the Bureau of Vital Statistics at Harrisburg. This information was 'phoned to Acting Special Agent in Charge T. X. Fay, who immediately sent a letter to they office requesting information as to applicant's birth.

AT SPANGLER, PA

Agent interviewed the Postulatress, Miss Zola M. Rodkey, who stated that she had known Applicant since he was a small boy and that his reputation and character were of the best. She stated that her sister, Mary B. Redkey, was a teacher in the Spangler High School and that applicant had been one of her pupils, and that she could probably give Agent further information. She stated that she had never heard of Applicant's being in trouble of any kind and that her father, I. W. Rodkey had been Justice of the Peace for 25 years and would know it applicant had ever been arrested or had any trouble of any kind.

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Agent called on I. N. Rodkey and Mary B. Rodkey at their home, and I. N. Rodkey stated that Applicant's family was one of the best in the community, his father formerly being Superintendent of Operations for the Pennsylvania Goal and Coke Corporation at Marstellar, Gallitzin, and Spangler, and that now, while still connected with the above company, he was not Superintendent but had formed a chain store corporation which maintains stores at various mines supplying the miners with merchandise and groceries. He stated that he had known Applicant since applicant was a small boy and that he considered him one of the best boys of Spangler and that he knew that he had never been in any trouble of any kind, that his habits were excellent and that he felt that he could perform the duties of the position sought.

Miss Mary B. Rodkey stated that she remembered Applicant while he was a pupil and that she taught him Mathematics, and that he was a very bright boy and she believed he was one of the honor students although she could not remember for certain. She stated that he was a good mixer and got along excellently with the other boys in school and that from her observation he had no bad habits of any kind. She stated that the Superintendent of the school, Mr. Sullivan, was away from Spangler, on his vacation, but that the Principal, Professor P. R. O'Donnell, was at his home.

Agent called at Professor O'Donnell's residence and was accompanied to the school by Professor O'Donnell, who procured the school records. These show that Applicant entered the Spangler High School, which at that time had a three-year course, in September, 1919. His marks for that year were as follows: Latin, 89; Algebra, 90; General History, 81; English, 82; Science, 85; Civias, 91. The next year his marks at the close of the school year were: Zoology, 90; Geometry, 90; Modern History, 84; English, 78, Botany, 84; Drawing, 88. He graduated in the Spring of 1922 and his marks for that year were as follows: Geometry, 90; Algebra, 90; English, 81; United States History, 91; Physics, 92; Public Speaking, 87. This is considered a high average in that school.

Applicant attended the High School at Bernesboro, Pas, which is two miles from Spangler, during the year 1922-23. The Superintendent and Principal were both away on vacations but Agent located Miss Sara Busch, Secretary to the Superintendent, who accompanied Agent to the school building and there produced Applicant's records which were as follows: English, 92; Social Problems, 88; Solid Geometry, (2 year) 75; Chemistry, 85; Trigonometry, (3 year) 75. Miss Busch stated that Applicant attended school before her time and she knew nothing concerning his habits, reputation, or character, although the records showed nothing against him.

Professor O'Donnell also told agent that Applicant attended school at Spangler before he was appointed Principal and that he knew nothing concerning Applicant but that Applicant's brother was one of his pupils and was one of the brightest boys he ever taught, and that the family was very highly respected and was considered reputable citizens in the community. He stated that Applicant is a member of the Presbyterian Church and that he has been told that Applicant's father insisted that Applicant and his brother travel as much as possible during

their summer vacations and that he understood Applicant had made a number of trips throughout the country. He further stated that Applicant had the reputation of being a very industrious young man and that when he came home from college on his summer vacations he always went to work at whatever he could find to do, sometimes working in the machine shops of the mines and some times as electrician, and that he understood he was a very good mixer and never had been in any trouble of any kind.

Agent, at Spangler, Pa., interviewed Attorney J. Harrison Westover, who is also president of the bank in that town. Mr. Westover advised Agent that Applicant's family is considered one of the most reputable and responsible families in town and that his father, after he resigned as Mine Superintendent for the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Corporation, organized the Cambria Mercantile Company, of which he is president and General Manager and that this company maintains numerous successful stores in various mining communities. He states that he has known Applicant since he was a small boy and can vouch for his character, reputation, and ability to perform the duties of the position sought. He states that Applicant is independent and is not easily influenced, but at the same time he is a good mixer and has always got along very well with the other boys of his age in the town. He informed Agent that he had heard Applicant was an honor student at the University of Buckmell and that he had not seen much of him since he went away to attend college.

Agent interviewed Paul R. Jones, who, with his father, runs a grocery store at Spangler and is in competition with Applicant's father. Mr. Jones is about one year older than Applicant and remembers him in school where he stated Applicant's habits and character were above represent. He stated that Applicant is a man who attends strictly to his own business, does not talk much, and is of a rather quiet disposition. He confirmed what Professor O'Donnell had stated about his industry and is working during his summer vacations. He informed Agent that he knew of nothing detrimental to Applicant of any character.

Agent next interviewed Mr. Charles Dumm, who runs one of the principal garages in Spangler. He stated that he had attended school with Applicant and that Applicant was a very good scholar, and was well liked by all of the other pupils with whom he came in contact, and that he was industrious and had no bad habits. He stated that Applicant dealt a great deal with his garage and always paid his bills promptly. He stated that the only thing he could say which might be considered detrimental was that Subject was independent, although he admitted that Applicant always went home on his summer vacations, always came around and met all his old friends, and talked with them but that he did not losf around with them but always got work at whatever he could find to do.

AT MARSTELLAR, PA.

At Marstellar, Ps., where one of the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Corporation mines are located Agent found the mines closed as it was Saturday afternoon and none of the officials, bosses, or superintendents were on duty. Agent learned, however, that during the time Applicant worked at Marstellar his father was Mine

Superintendent so Applicant was really working under his father's supervision.

At the mine store, which is also the Postoffice, Agent Interviewed Miss Grette Weekly, acting Postmaster. She stated that she knew Applicant very well and that while he worked at the mines he lived at home and came back and forth daily by auto and that she knew from hearing the other men talk that Applicant was a good worker and performed his duties in a satisfactory manner. She stated that the last time she knew of Applicant's working at Marstellar, he was employed as a machinist in the shop and that she considered him one of the finest young men she had ever known.

Agent endeavored to learn from her the name of Applicant's foreman while employed at Marstellar. She stated that she was not positive but she believed that Mr. Horase Williams, who is now living at Patton, Pa., was the Machine Shop Foreman and that none of the boys from around the mines were there when Applicant worked there and that she knew of no one who was then at Marstellar who knew applicant while he was employed there.

AT PATTON, PA.

Agent called at the residence and effice of Meade B. Cowher, who is in the insurance business at Patton. This was about 7:00 P. M. and Agent learned that Mr. Cowher was attending a dinner at some country club some distance from Patton. Agent obtained the 'phone number and interviewed him over the 'phone concerning applicant. Mr. Cowher stated that he had known applicant for a good many years having formerly resided in Spangler and that he was intimately acquainted with him as they both belonged to the same Masonic Lodge in Spangler. He spake very highly of applicant's character, reputation, and ability and stated that he had absolutely no bad habits that he observed, and that he never saw him take any intoxicating liquor. He stated that applicant is of rather a quiet disposition but is independent and knows his own mind. He further advised that he considered applicant's family one of the finest families with which he was acquainted and that he would unhesitatingly recommend applicant for the position sought.

Agent next located Mr. Horaca Williams, who is now running a gasoline filling station at Patton. He informed Agent that Applicant had worked at the Marstellar mines after he had left there so that he knew nothing of his ability as a machinist, except from hearsay, but that he has been told that Applicant is very industrious and was a setisfactory workman while employed at the mines. He also spoke very highly of Applicant's family.

AT CRESSON, PA.

Agent evdesvored to interview Mr. Fred McWilliams, Chief Electricien, at Gresson, Pa., but at his home learned that Mr. McWilliams had gone to Spangler, Pa. before Agent's arrival. Agent secured a telephone number where Mr. McWilliams could be located and communicated with him by telephone concerning Applicant. Mr. McWilliams stated that Applicant worked for him as an electrician during two of his summer vacations and that he considered him a very satisfactory employee,

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RE: DONALD T. NICHOLSON

and that if Applicant wanted a job at any time with him he would immediately employ him. He stated that although Applicant was a college boy he did not hesitate to undertake any kind of work no matter how menial or dirty it was, and that his character, reputation, and habits were of the very best.

He also stated that he was well acquainted with all the members of Applicant's family and speke of them in the highest terms.

Agent inquired of all of the persons above-mentioned whether or not Subject used intoxicating liquors and all of them stated that they had never known of his taking a drink at any time.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE NEW YORK OFFICE is requested to locate and interview Congressmen J. R. Russell Leech, who is now spending his vacation at Sea Isle, City, New Jersey, to obtain from him any information he may have concerning Subject's character, reputation, ability, and qualifications for the position sought.

THE PITTSBURGH OFFICE will make a closing report as soon as reports have been received from the Washington Field, Philadelphia, and New York offices as well as information concerning Applicant's birth record from the Bureau of Vital Statistics at Harrisburg, Pa.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SORNBORGER, APPOINTMENT CLERK

Please prepare letters appointing the following persons as Special Agents in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, salary at the rate of \$2900.00 per annum in Grade Caf 8, and \$6.00 per diem in lieu of subsistence and actual expenses of travel and operution when absent from official headquarters which will be designated after course of instruction to be given at fashington, D.C., effective with entry on duty and payable from the appropriation for "Detection and Prosecution of Crimes", FIELD:

> Mr. Milton M. Adelman, Chicago, Ill. Mr. Sidney G. Edwards, Oswego, Kansas.

Mr. Walter A. Miller, Cak Park, Ill.

Mr. Andrew Howard, Glacier Park, Mont.

Mr. Louis J. Rauber, Wellsville, N.Y.

Mr. Charles M. Petit, Springfield, Ohio.

Mr. W. Ralph Keller, Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Frank W. Smith, Akron, Ind.

O Mr. Donald T. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa.

Mr. Adelbert S. Schroeder, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Hearst K. Duncan, Washington, D.C. Mr. James M. O'leary, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Eggar Stansfield, Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

For the Director,

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Appreved:

Assistant Attorney General.

CC to Mr. Sornborger. 00 to Mr. Allisen.



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Washington, D. C.

July 8, 1931

To:

The Director, Bureau of Investigatible Defartment of

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MENT OF JUSTICE

From:

Inspector Clyde A. Tolson

Subject: Report of Interview with Applicant Donald T. Nicholson

Spangler, Pa.

for appointment as Special Agent

PERSONAL APPEARANCE:

PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND APPROACH: Excellent, Good. Fair. Poor.

DRESS: Neat. Flashy. Poor. Untidy.

FEATURES: . Refined. Ordinary. Coarse. Dissipated.

PHYSICAL DEFECTS, if any:

CONDUCT DURING INTERVIEW: 2.

- PERSONALITY: Excellent. Good. Fair. Average, Poor.
- B. POISE: Well-poised. Steady. Temperamental.
- SPEECH: Average. Reticent. Talkative. Boastful.
- D. ASSURANCE: Self-Confident. Fair. Over-Confident. Lacking.
- E. NERVOUSNESS: None. Slight. Very nervous.
- FOREIGN ACCENT: None. Slight. Noticeable.
- TACT: Tactful. Average. Lacking.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE:

- Answers general questions definitely. Quickly.
- B. Has applicant studied Federal Procedure? Yes
- Any investigative experience? If so, describe -
- Does the Applicant appear to be resourceful? Yes
- Does the Applicant appear to have executive ability? Doubtful
- Is he likely to develop? Yes

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- What are the applicant's plans for the future? Has applications pending for attorney positions with a number of governmental agencies.
- What are his recreations and tastes? Golf - Reading

5. HEALTH RECORD; Good; no recent illness

6. GENERAL IMPRESSIONS OF APPLICANT:

This applicant was born February 20, 1906, at Hastings, Pa., and is single. His father, J. R. Nicholson, is the president of a small mercantile company in Spangler, Pa. The applicant attended Marstellar and Spangler, Pa., graded schools through the 8th grade; the Spangler and Barnesboro, Pa., high schools, receiving a diploma from the Barnesboro High School; he attended the Bethlehem, Pa., Preparatory School for one year; received an A. B. degree from Bucknell University in 1928, and an LL.B. degree from George Washington University Law School in June, 1931. He took the recent District of Columbia Bar Examination but has not yet learned the result thereof. He is a member of the Masonic order and of the Kappa Sigma college fraternity. During summer vacations the applicant worked as a machinist and as a laborer in mines in Pennsylvania. He has had no practical experience along legal or business lines. He states he was never arrested and does not drink intoxicating liquor. The travel regulations were explained to him and were entirely satisfactory. The applicant studied bankruptcy and Federal procedure at George Washington University Law School. He states that only two or three days' notice would be required in case of appointment. The applicant has no definite plans for the future; has applications for attorney position pending with the Shipping Board, the Federal Radio Commission, the Federal Power Commission and the Federal Trade Commission.

Despite the fact that this applicant has had no practical experience along legal lines, I am inclined to believe that he would satisfactorily develop into a better than average Special Agent in the Bureau. He presented a good appearance and approach; seems steady and mature of judgment and has had a good basic education. In the event nothing derogatory to his character is disclosed by a Bureau investigation, favorable consideration is recommended of his application.

Result of dictation test: Good. Fair. Poor. Bureau test rating 95 %.

7. Do you consider the Applicant qualified for the appointment he seeks and, if appointed, do you believe he would develop into better than an average employee? Yes.

Clyed A. Tolson

Spector.

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Washington, D. C.

July 8, 1931

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In my course of study, I have attended graded school, high school, and taken a degree from Bucknell University; also a law degree from George Washington University Law School. I have had little experience, but from the nature of the work as I understand it, I feel that the educational institutions have prepared me sufficiently for the Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

D. T. Nicholson

DTN:AM Dict. Time: 3 min. Al. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D. C.

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July 13, 1931.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: DONALD T. NICHOLSON, Applicant for Appointment as a Special Agent.

Written rating: 95% Oral 75% Composite 85% Age: 25. Single.

A. B. Bucknell University.

LL. B. Geo. Wash. Univ. Law Sch.

SUMMARY.

Mr. C. A. Tolson states that this applicant presents a good personal appearance and approach; has a good personality; is steady of poise; average of speech; is tactful; answers general questions definitely; has had no investigative experience; appears to be resourceful; may possibly have executive ability; dictates fairly satisfactorily; seems mature of judgment; has had a good basic education and, in his opinion, would develop into a better than average employee in the Bureau.

The applicant is a native and legal resident of Penna. He is a high school graduate; holds an A. B. Degree from Bucknell University and an LL. B. Degree from George Washington University Law School. He took the recent D. C. Bar Examination. He is a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and the Masonic Order. He has had no practical experience along legal or business lines. He has applications pending with a number of governmental agencies for appointment to an attorney position.

A character and fitness investigation was instituted in this case on July 10, 1931.

Respectfully,

Clyde A. Tolson.

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House of Representatives H.S.

Mashington, A.C.

Ebensburg, Pa. June 30, 1931

Mr. Snyder, Chief Clerk Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Snyder:

Mr. D. L. Micholson, of Spnagler, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, is an applicant for a position in the Legal Department of the Department of Justice.

Mr. Nicholson is a young man who has graduated from the High School at Spangler, took a degree at Bucknell University, and also graduated from the Law School of George Washington University.

He is quite an unusual young man as you will observe when you meet him. His appearance is attractive and striking; and his reputation in the community here and that in which he lives is outstanding. Micholson is absolutely honest, intelligent and industrious. He should make a valuable adjunct to your force.

I do hope you will find it possible to consider his application favorably in the conviction that he will surely render a good account of himself.

Sincerely yours,

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July 10, 1931.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

The attached letter from Congressman Leech, endorsing Mr. D. L. Nicholson for appointment to a legal position in the Department was answered on July 6, informing him that we had no legal vacancies.

The Congressmen telephoned this morning to me and said that what Mr. Nicholson really wants is a position in the Bureau of Investigation, presumably as a Special Agent. He asked that his letter be sent to you.

Respectfully,

C. E. Stewert
Administrative Assistant.

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July 15, 1931.

U. S. Public Health Service, Federal Building, Pitt-burgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:

The bearer of this letter, Mr. Donald I., Nicholson, is a candidate for appointment to the service of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, as a Special Agent. In accordance with arrangements previously made, it is respectfully requested that a thorough physical examination be given to determine the fitness of this candidate for the position in question.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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July 14, 1931,

Hon, J. Russell Leech, Member of Congress, Ebensburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Congressment-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated June 30, 1931, addressed to Mr. Schneider, Chief Clerk, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., which was acknowledged under date of July 6, 1931, by Mr. C. E. Stewart, Administrative Assistant in the Department of Justice, in which you refer to the application of Mr. B. L. Nicholson of Spangler, Pennsylvania.

I find that Mr. Micholson filed an application recently for appointment to the position of Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

I am very glad to receive your views concerning this applicant and assure you that the same will be given attention in connection with the consideration of the possibility of his appointment in this service.

Sincerely yours,

Director.



July 15, 1931.

Mr. Donald L. Vicholson. Spangler, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your application on file for a position as "pecial Agent in the Bureau of Investigetion, Department of Justice, it is requested that you aubmit a report of your present physical condition. To this end you should consult the U. S. Public Health Service, Federal Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, submitting the enclosed letter for their attention.

It is also desired that you read the enclosed letter carefully and closely and, if the conditions set forth therein are thoroughly understood by you, it is requested that you affix your signature thereto and forward the same to this office, together with your physical examination report, not later than July 25, 1951.

Yery truly yours,

Director.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Applicant was a student at the Bethlehem Preparatory School, Bethlehem, Pa., from 1923 to 1924, and graduated from Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., in 1928; 4 year course in Liberal Arts; Good character and reputation and possesses high qualifications. No police record in Bethlehem or Lewisburg, Pa.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated July 10, 1951.

DETAILS:

AT BETHLEHEM. PA.

Agent learned that the Fethlehem Freparatory School had passed out of existence in the year 1925. The only person Agent could locate was Mr. H.A. Foering, former Superintendent of the school, who resides at 8th & Broad Sts., Bethlehem, Pa. He said that he had been Superintendent of the school for twenty years prior to its closing in the year 1925; that it was a private school and that all records have since been destroyed; that he remembers that a student named DONALD T. NICHOLSON, of Spangler, ponorymers in these spaces

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Pa., attended in the years 1923 and 1924, and that he resided on the premises; that he took the regular college course, and was of good character and reputation. Ir. Forming knew nothing of applicant's ability.

William Smith, Chief Cherk in the office of the Bethlehem. Police Detective Eureau, stated applicant has no police record in Bethlehem,

Agent could locate no other person in Bethlehem, who had any information concerning applicant.

AT LEVISBURG, PA.

Agent interviewed Hiss Mary H. Hunt, Recorder at Bucknell University. She stated that their records reflect that DONALD T. NICHOLSON of Spangler; Pa., son of J.H. Spangler, same address, was born February 20, 1906, place of birth not stated; that he entered Bucknell University in September 1924 from the Bethlehem Preparatory School, Bethlehem, Pa., and took the Liberal Arts Course, graduating on June 6, 1928; that he majored in Economics and received an A.B. Degree; that he resided in the dormitory, and was of good character and reputation. She further givised that she knew applicant personally in a general way; that he had no physical defects and was an admirable person.

Chief of Police, Robert Simons, Lewisburg, Pa., stated applicant has no police record in Lewisburg and Is unknown to the police.

No other person who knew applicant could be located by Agent at Lewisburg, Pa.

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REPORT MADE AT: WASHINGTON, D. C.	7/16/31	7/14-15/51	A. N. JACOBSON	EW .
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

J. A. Breen, Ir., Washington, D. C., a reference, states applicant is a man of good habits, character and ability. Applicant received an ILB degree from Scorge Washington Univ. Law School on June 10, 1951 and teck the D. C. Ber examination in June, 1951. School record only fair. Manager of frateralty where applicant resided has high regard for him. Ma police record in Washington, B. C.

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DETAILS:

It was ascertained during the course of this investigation that subject's name is Donald Lon Nicholson and not Donald T. Nicholson. This name will be set forth in the meation covering the investigation where such information was ascertained.

REFERENCE

Mr. J. A. Breen, Apt. 117, Hervard Courts, 1650 hervard St., N. W., stated that he first met applicant last minter when he was assigned to make a candidate for entrance into J. Warren Harding Longe of the Masons. Mr. Breen, who is Senior Descon of his lodge, instructed applicant with several other candidates. Applicant learned his three degrees very quickly and then assisted Mr. Breen in teaching the other candidates. Applicant was admitted to membership of the J. Warren Harding Lodge and is a member in good standing. At the time applicant was being instructed by Mr. Breen, he was also attending

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George Washington University Law School. Applicant impressed Mr. Breen as being a man of good habits, good character and ability. Applicant is clean out and is very likeable. Mr. Breen stated that while he knew very little about applicant atherwise, he was sure that he would make an excellent employee. Mr. Breen stated that he knew applicant as Donald Lon Nicholson.

EDUCATION

Miss A. M. Bischoff, recorder of George Washington University Law School, referred to the record of applicant which indicated that he had entered that school in the fall of 1928 as a candidate for the LLB degree. Applicant resided at 1805 19th St., N. W. during most of the time that he went to George Washington Univ. Law School. Applicant received the AB degree from Bucknell University in 1928. At the time of entrance, applicant was 22 years, 7 months of age. Applicant's average for the entire three-year course was 72.5, which was 57th place in a class of 91 graduates. Miss Bischoff stated that applicant's marks were only fair but they were satisfactory. Applicant received his LLB degree on June 10, 1931. Applicant's name in these school records is listed as Donald Lon Nicholson.

Judge Ralph Given, Police Court, Washington, D. C., who is Secretary of the Committee on Admissions to the Bar for the District of Columbia, stated that his records indicate that applicant as Donald L. Nicholson was among those persons who took the June, 1951 examinations for admission to the District of Columbia Bar. The results of these examinations will not be announced until the latter part of August, 1931.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION

Mr. W. L. Preston, who is the house manager of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity house at 1803 19th St., N. W., stated that applicant resided at this fraternity house for nearly the entire time he attended George Washington Univ. Law School. Applicant was one of the most desirable men at the fraternity house, as he was always quiet and attended to his own affairs without interfering with the affairs of the other persons. He kept good hours and was not among the men who were usually out late every night in the week. He was industrious in his school work and was well liked by all the other men living at the fraternity house. Applicant did not drink liquor.

POLICE RECORD

Mr. A. A. Durkin, who is in sharge of the records of the Identification Bureau of the Metropolitan Police, Washington, D. C., made a search

of his records under the name of Donald T. Nicholson and Donald Lon Nicholson but found no record of an arrest of applicant. A search was also made of the records of the Traffic Bureau but no records of an arrest of applicant were found.

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There was no record of applicant under the name of Donald T. Nicholson or Donald Lon Nicholson in the files of Stones' Mercentile Agency, Stone Building, or the Associated Metail Gredit Men of Washington, D. C., Printereft Building.

REFERENCE OF COMPLETION

(Date)

Director, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Having filed an application for a position as Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, I hereby certify that in the event of an appointment I will be governed by the following conditions:

- 1. Upon appointment and within ten days after receipt thereof, I shall be required to proceed at my own expense to Washington, D. C. where I will take the oath of office and enter on duty.
- That said appointment will be for a probationary period of three months.
- That my retention in the Bureau shall be dependent upon my services being satisfactory, and if at, or before, the expiration of the probationary period my services are deemed unsatisfactory it is understood that my services may be discontinued and that I am not to receive transportation to my home, or to any other point, at Government expense.
- 4. That if appointed I may be sent to any part of the continental or territorial United States that the exigencies of the Bureau's work may require; that my headquarters may be fixed in some jurisdiction other than that in which I have heretofore resided; that my headquarters may be changed as the work of the Bureau may require and that no transfer will be made from one station to another for personal reasons.

I further certify that nothing connected with this certification is to be construed by me as an assurance that an appointment will be tendered me; that I fully understand all of the foregoing and that the conditions specified herein are agreeable to me; that if appointed my acceptance will be with a full knowledge of the conditions above set forth.

Very truly yours,

Donald J. Zicholn

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The aim of the Executive order of June 18, 1923, and of this examination thereunder is to obtain information as to the physical condition of appointees to the classified civil service with a view to promoting efficiency and minimizing accidents and claims under United States employees' compensation laws.

NOTES FOR EXAMINING PHYSICIAN

WEIGHT: Males, without clothing, and also in ordinary clothing without overcoat or hat (weigh twice); females, clothed but without wrap or hat.

HEIGHT: Without boots or shoes; observe that no appliances are used to increase.

The examination should include the following observations, as to-

- (1) Eves: Ptosis; discharge; corneal scars; pterygium. In recording vision consider 20 feet as normal and report all vision as a fraction with 20 feet as numerator and the smallest type read at 20 feet as denominator. If glasses are used, record for each eye the finding with and without glasses.
- (2) Ears: Evidence of middle ear or mastoid disease; condition of drums; discharge. In recording hearing, record 20 feet as normal distance for conversational voice and record deviation from normal as fraction with 20 as denominator and actual distance as numerator.
- (3) Nose: Ability to blow through each nostril. If free, a speculum examination would not be indicated.
- (4) THROAT: Tonsils; hypertrophy.
- (5) Mourn: Missing teeth; pyorrhea.
- (6) THYROID: Presence of tumor in neck and tremor; exophthalmos; nervous highstrung disposition; especially in women.
- (7) HEART: Murmurs. If valvular disease exists, state whether or not it is fully compensated.
- (8) Lungs: It is necessary that the auscultatory cough be used. Tuberculosis; if present state whether active or arrested, and if arrested your opinion as to how long it has been quiescent. Sputum to be examined for tubercle bacilli in all suspected cases.
- (9) INGUINAL RINGS: Hernia; no hernia but impulse on coughing; no hernia or impulse but abnormally large rings. Any other hernia should be noted, and if present describe fully and state whether it is retained by well-fitting truss.
- (10 to 13) Scars, deformities, atrophies, paralyses, or flat foot of such a nature as to incapacitate or become aggravated by work or be later alleged as caused by accident or occupation. By "flat foot," as used in this form, is meant a foot with impaired function, the term being equivalent to "fallen or misplaced arch," an abnormal condition. Impairment of function is the point to be noted. It is not intended that small, insignificant blemishes which might be referred to as marks of identification be recorded.
- (14) Urinalysis to be made and blood pressure to be taken when especially indicated, particularly in persons over 40 when arteriosclerosis, nephritis, or diabetes is suspected.

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DETAILS: The writer contacted Congressman J. R. Russell Leech, Sea Isle City,
New Jersey, by telephone and was advised that he has known Applicant's
family practically all of his life; that he has been in touch with Applicant during
his educational career at Washington, D. C.; that Applicant is a very unusual young
man, being especially bright and intelligent and possessed of an attractive personality. Congressman Leech further stated that Applicant makes a very favorable
appearance and is a neat dresser.

So for as Congressmen Leach is informed the Applicant does not use intoxicating liquors in any form. He considers the Applicant to be for above the average and he does not hesitate to recommend him for the position he now seeks.

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RE DONALD T NICHOLSON SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANT EXPEDITE CLOSING REPORT

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Reports from New York, Washington and Philadelphia offices give Applicant as a man of good habits, character and ability. No derogatory reports received

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. F. McDevitt, dated Philadelphia, Pa., July 16, 1931; report of Special Agent A. W. Jacobson, dated Washington, D. C., July 16, 1931; and report of Special Agent C. G. Schenker, dated West York City, July 17, 1931.

DETAILS:

Report of Special Agent J. F. McDevitt shows that
Applicant, while at the Bethlehem Properatory School, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania,
and at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, was reported to be of good
character and reputation, and possessed high qualifications. No adverse reports
concerning him were obtained.

The report of Special Agent A. W. Jacobson covers
Applicant's residence in Washington, D. C., and all persons interviewed gave
favorable reports concerning Applicant. His scholastic record at George Washington University was only fair.

DETAILS

Congressman J. R. Russell Leech, speaks very highly of Applicant, stating that he has known Applicant's family all his life and that Applicant is a very unusual young man, being especially bright and intelligent, and possessed with an affactive personality.

No police record was found of Applicant at any of the places where investigations were made and all persons quantioned as to whether or not applicant uses liquor, stated that he does not.

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DONALD T. NICHOLSON APPLICANT - SPECIAL AGENT

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Communication received from Emelyn Jones, M.D. Chief Registrar, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Harrisburg, Pa., dated 7-14-31, discloses that Applicant was born February 20, 1906, Hastings, Pa., father, Jonathan Raymond Nicholson, mother, Christina Nelson.

As there are no further undeveloped leads, this case is

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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: DONALD E. NICHOLSON D Applicant for a Position as Special Agent.

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95% Written rating: Oral Composite " 85%

A.B. - Bucknell University. 25. Age:

Single. LL.B. - George Washington Univ. Law Sch.

The following memorandum was addressed to the Director by Mr. Tolson under date of July 13, 1931:

"Mr. C. A. Tolson states that this applicant presents a good personal appearance and approach; has a good personality; is steady of poise; average of speech; is tactful; answers general questions definitely; has had no investigative experience; appears to be resourceful; may possibly have executive ability; dictates fairly satisfactorily; seems mature of judgment; has had a good basic education and. in his opinion, would develop into a better than average employee in the Bureau.

The applicant is a native and legal resident of Penna. He is a high school graduate; holds an A.B. Degree from Bucknell University and an IL.B. Degree from George Washington University Law School. He took the recent D.C. Bar Examination. He is a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and the Masonic Order. He has had no practical experience along legal or business lines. He has applications pending with a number of governmental agencies for appointment to an attorney position.

A character and fitness investigation was instituted in this case on July 10, 1931."

Applicant attended Spangler High School, Spangler, Pa., from 1919 to 1922. The records at this school indicate that applicant received high averages in his subjects. Prof. O'Donnell, Principal of the high school, stated that applicant's family were very highly respected and was considered reputable citizens in the community. Applicant attended Barnesboro High School, Barnesboro, Pa., from 19 2 to 1923. Applicant received very good grades while attending this school. attended Bethlehem Preparatory School, Bethlehem, Pa.from 1923 to 1924. is no longer in existence and it was learned that all records have been destroyed. Applicant was graduated from Bucknell University in 1928, receiving an A.B. degree. The records of the University reflect that applicant was of good character and Applicant received an LL.B. degree from George Washington University Law School in 1931. Applicant's average for the entire three-year course was 72.6, which was 57th place in a class of 91 graduates. Applicant's name in these school records is listed as Donald Lon Nicholson. It is noted that applicant/siname appears as Donald T. Nicholson on his application. Applicant took the D.C. Bar exemination in June, 1931, but the results of these examinations will not be announced until the latter part of August, 1931. Mr. W. L. Preston, house manager of the Kappa Signa Fraternity house, stated that applicant is one of the most desirable men at the fraternity house, as he was always quiet and attended to his own affairs; that he was λ





Memorandum for the Director Donald D. Nicholson - Special Agent Applicant.

July 22, 1931.

industrious in his school work and was well liked by all the other men living at the fraternity house.

Applicant was employed by the Penna. Coal and Coke Corporation, at Marstellar, Pa., as a Machinist, during the surmers from 1924 to 1927. It was leared that during the time applicant worked at Marstellar his father was Mine Superintendent so applicant was really working under his father's supervision. Applicant was employed by the above corporation at Cresson, Pa., as a Machinist, during the summer of 1928. Mr. Fred McWilliams (reference) Chief Electrician, at Cresson, Pa., considered applicant a very satisfactory employee and that he did not hesitate to undertake any kind of work no matter how menial or dirty it was, and that his character, reputation, and habits were of the very best.

Cong. J. R. Russell Leech (reference) has known applicant's family all of his life, has had frequent contact with applicant, and recommends him highly.

J. A. Breen, Jr. (reference) stated applicant is a man of good habits, character and ability.

J. Harrison Westover (reference) Attorney, stated that applicant's family is considered one of the most reputable and responsible families in Spangler, Pa. He vouches for the character, reputation and ability of applicant to perform the duties of the position sought.

Meade B. Cowher (reference) spoke very highly of applicant's character, reputation, and ability and recommends him for the position sought.

All other persons interviewed spoke very highly of his character, reputation, and ability.

Applicant states he was born February 20, 1906, at Hastings, Pa. The records at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Harrisburg, Pa., indicate that applicant was born on the date mentioned above.

Respectfully,

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July 10, 1931.

Mr. Donald L. Michelson, Spangler, Pennsylvania.

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Tou are hereby appointed a Special igent in the Desten of investigation, Department of Justice, with salary at the rate of 1990.60 per samue in Crede GAP 8. You will also be allewed your actual expenses of travel and operation and \$6.00 a day in lieu of substitution when about from official headquarters, which will be icalizated after you receive instruction at Washington, D. C., 10 which point you should protocd at your own expense. During the instruction period at Washington, D. C., you will be allowed \$6.00 a day in lies of substatemes and following the course of instruction, you will be required to pay the necessary expenses of travel from Inchington, D. C., to the past of duty to be designated. Your -req levert at in motionage at bounded in consection with travel performed will be adjusted so as to allow you the difference betw the expenses incurred in treveling via vanhington, D. C., and such expenses as you would have been required to bear if no step-ever had been made for official duty at Machington, D. C. Fellowing your general essignment, your headquarters will be fixed from time to time at much pinced as may be deemed advisable by the Director of the Dayout of Investigation, unfor whose supervision and instructions you will be employed.

Your salary, expenses, and per diem will be paid from the appropriation for "Detection and Procession of Grimes", FIELD.

This appointment will take affect when you enter on duty at Washington, D. C.

This letter is not to be considered as operating eredentially and is not to be so used. Operating eredentials are issued separately.

Bespectfully,

For the Attorney General,

(Signed) Charles P. Sisson

Assistant Attorney General.

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Mr. Donald L. Nicholson. Spangler, Pennsylvania,

July 23, 1931.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION JUL ~- 1931 . 5 M Dri. Imper on JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a letter signed by the Assistant General appointing you as a special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, salary at the rate of \$2900.00 per annum in Grade in the Bureau of Investi-CAF-8. You will also be allowed your actual expenses of travel and operation and \$6.00 a day in lieu of subsistence when absent from official headquarters, which will be designated after you receive instruction at Washington, D. C., to which bint you should proceed at your own expense if you accept appointment. Your headquarters will be fixed from time to time at such places as may be deemed advisable. As stated in the enclosed letter, during the instruction period at Washington, D. C., you will be allowed \$6.00 a day in lieu of subsistence and following the course of instruction, you will be required to pay the necessary expenses of travel from Washington, D. C., to the post of duty to be designated. Your account covering expenses incurred in connection with travel performed will be adjusted so performed will be adjusted so as to allow you the difference between the expenses incurred in traveling via Washington, D. C., and such expenses as you would have been required to bear if no stop-over had been made for official duty at Washington, D. C. You should retain any Pullman receipts secured in connection with travel to Washington, D. C. for use in the preparation of your expense account,

This appointment is tendered to you for a probationary period of three months with the understanding that if your services are satisfactory at the expiration of that time the appointment will be made permanent. It is also understood. that you are to proceed on orders to any part of the country that the exigencies of the service may require. You should notify this office at once if this appointment is accepted by you. If it is not accepted in one week's time it will be cancelled.

Should you accept, you are directed to proceed to Washington, D. C. at your own expense, and report to Inspector J. M. Keith, Hurley-Wright Building, 18th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue N. W., for oath of office and assignment, on August 5, 1931, , at 9:00 A. M.

You should so arrange your personal matters before taking oath of office that you will be able to accept assignment to any part of the country where your services may be needed.

file Consider this letter strictly confidential, giving it no publicity.

Very truly yours, For the Director,

istant Director.

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July 25, 1951.

Mr. J. M. Roith. Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Donald L. Micholson has been appointed as a Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation and ordered to report to you for oath of office and assignment on August 3, 1981. He is being advised that this appointment is tendered to him for a probationary period of three months with the understanding that he will be assigned to any part of the country where his services may be needed.

It will be incumbent upon you to devote particular attention to thoroughly training him, giving his development your personal. attention. He should be fully instructed in all phases of the Bureau's work. His investigative actions should be carefully watched and any and all steps taken by you to develop him in such a manner as will make his work creditable to himself and of value to the Bureau.

You should notify this office of his entry on duty and forward his oath of office, in duplicate, together with his personal history sheet, as soon as possible.

> Very truly yours, For the Director.

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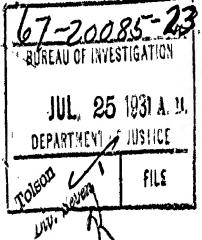
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Spangler, Pa. July 24, 1931

Honorable J. E. Hoover Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

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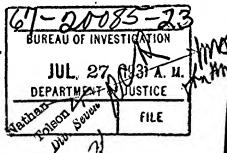
In confirmation of the telegram sent you this morning, I accept the appointment offered me as Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation.

Following your instructions I shall report to Inspector J. M. Keith, Hurley-Wright building 18th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue N. W. on August 3, 1931 at 9:00 A. M.

Very truly yours, O Dicholan

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JUL 27 1931.



July 29, 1931.

Hon. J Russell Leech, House of Representatives, Maskington, D. C.

My dear Congressmen:

It is with pleasure that I can auvise you that Mr. D. Tollienolson, in whose behalf jou recently wrote me, has been appointed as a Special Agent in this Bureau.

With expressions of my best regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

Director.

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July 29, 1931.

Hon. David A. Reed, United States Senate, Washington, as to

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Hon. James J. Davis, United States Sanate, Washington, D. C.

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With expressions of my best regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Enclosed herewith find the fingerprints Donald T. Nicholson. O of

A search of the files of this Division fails to disclose any record of the above employee.

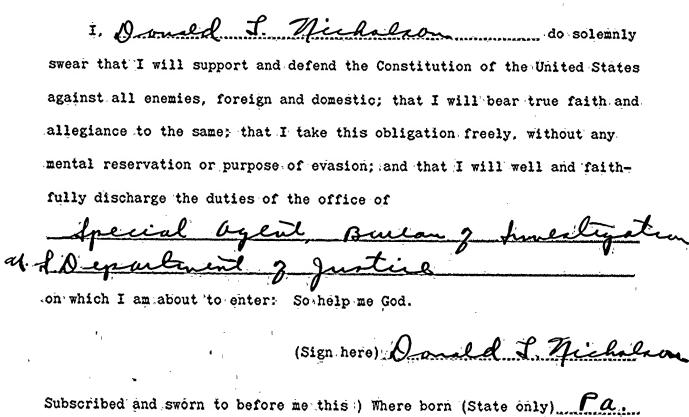
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L. C. Schilder,

Chief,

Division of Identification and Information.

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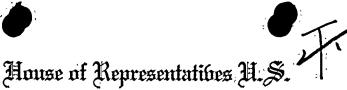
Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Siri

At 9 a.m. on August 3, 1931, the newly appointed Special Agents tabulated below reported to me for duty and were given the oath of office. The oaths of office executed are herewith forwarded in duplicate, together with the usual personal history sheet:

name of employee	LEGAL RESIDENCE	OFFICE PREFERENCE	LOCAL ADDRESS
Robert E. Brake	Birmingham, Ala.	No preference	442 Park Rd., N.W. Columbia 2037-W
H. H. Buschatzke	New Hyde Park, N.Y	. New York	Hotel Ambassador
O.C. Dewey	Wheeling, W.Va.	No preference	Notel Ambassador
Carlton J. Endres	Omaha, Nebraska	Los Angeles	6918 Willow Street
Raymond F. Farrell	Pawtucket, R.I.	No preference	1806 - 37th Street
Cleen K. Fierstone	Ureina, Pa.	Washington, D.C. or Seattle	537 Kenyon St., N.W.
Jacob Heffler	Philadelphia, Pa.	Philadelphia	Hotel Annapolis
Andrew Howard	Billings, Mol	No preference	1756 G St., N.W.
Thomas G. Kelliher	Beverly, Mass.	No preference	1741 K St., N.W.
John B. Little	Indianapolis, Indiana	No preference	New Colonial Hotel
Howard P. Locke	Saluda, N.C.	No preference	Ontario Apartments, #611
J. R. McDonald	Washington, D.C.	No preference	2023 0 St., N.W.
Joseph D. Milenky	Waterbury, Conn.	Boston	1452 Clifton St., N.W.
George H. Milne	Grand Island, Nebraska	No preference	1524 K St., N.W.
R.B. Nathan	Sheffield, Ala.	Birmingham	Colonial Hotel
D. L. Nicholson	Spangler, Pa.	East	1805 - 19th St., N.W.
Peter J. Nolan	Toledo, Ohio	Cincinnati, Detroit or Chica	
James M. O'Leary	Charakas lams		405 - 10th St., N.E.
Glen S. Patterson	Cherokee, lowa	No preference Pacific Coast	Y.M.C.A.
W. Arnold Phelan	Henry, S.Dakota Louisville, Ky.	Cincinnati	Lee House

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Mashington, D.C.

Ebensburg, Pa. August 7, 1931

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 29 advising that Mr. D. T. Onicholson has been appointed Special Agent in your Bureau.

I fully believe you will never have reason to regret this appointment.

With expressions of highest regards, Iam

Sincerely yours,

JRL/DJJ

J. Russell Leech

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August 10, 1931.

Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, Box 851, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that Special Agent

This is to advise you that Special Agent

who entered on duty August 3, 1931,

in CAF-8, at a salary of \$2900.00 per annum, has been

directed to report to you for assignment. You should advise the date of his arrival.

You are instructed to continue the training of the Agent so that he may receive experience in all branches of the work of the Bureau. In submitting special efficiency reports, in accordance with the provisions of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, you should include statements as to the kind of cases on which the employee has been engaged, his ability or lack thereof in any certain phase of the work, and particularly his ability to perform more involved investigations, such as bankruptcy.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Inspector J. M. Keith, Washington, D. C.

Deer Sir:

On account of the conditions which have recently arisen, it has become necessary to instruct that the ordinary period of training before a newly appointed Special Agent is trusted with an investigation be suspended.

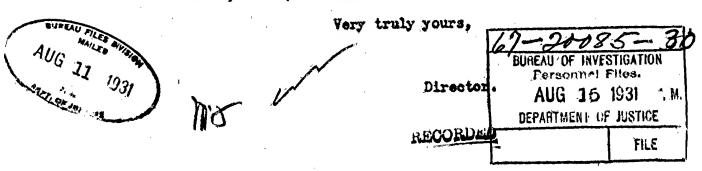
Please, therefore, assign a new Agent to make a confidential investigation in regard to the application of Mr. James M. Billings, Route #4, Manassas, Virginia, for the position of Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation.

Of course, on account of the inexperience of the igent it will be necessary for you to caution him to discuss his investigation with no one, not even members of his family or associates in the class. He should disclose no information in regard to the matter whatsoever.

Because of the emergency nature of this assignment and the inexperience of the Agent, he need not be required to submit the usual investigative report, but may prepare a rough, handwritten memorandum for submission to you in order that the proper papers may be prepared.

It is desired, of course, that the Agent obtain very thorough and complete information, overlooking no matters which will affect the consideration of the application.

The applicant had no other connection in Washington except that he gave as a reference Mr. T. F. Baughman, 2183 Harrison Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.



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U.S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D. C. August 24, 1931

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIFECTOR

As a result of my observation of the Special Agent listed below, during the period of the training school which began on August 3 and terminated on August 22, 1931, I submit the following report:

Name:

Donald L. Nicholson Spangler, Pennsylvania

Legal residence: Preference:

East

Sent to: Education: Detroit, Michigan A. B., Buchnell

L. L. B., George Washington

Investigative

Experience:

None

Remarks

Examination grades: R. & R., 94%

Instr., 98.75% Average, 96.37%

Likelihood of

development: Fair

Executive ability: None Personal appearance: Good

Dress:

Neat

Features:

Ordinary

Physical defects:

None

Poise:

Average

Speech:

Average

Assurance:

Fair

Nervousness:

None

Foreign accent:

None

Tact:

Tactful

Personality:

Good

Nicholson's demeanor is particularly quiet. At first he did not impress me as being very aggressive, but I believe that he has latent ability along this line. I do not expect him to warrant consideration for any administrative position in the Bureau, but I do believe that he will develop into a good field investigator.

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This trainee left Washington for Detroit, Michigan, on August 22, 1931, at 7:05 P. M.

Respectfully,

J. M. Keith, Inspector

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Execupt from report of Agent Deroy on agents attending training school. Dated 8-21-31.

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D. L. Hicholson has not exhibited a keen or alert personality.

He appears quiet and studious and is somewhat hard to become acquainted with. He has exhibited a degree of good judgment and his attention to his work and thoroughness are good. He manifests no qualities of leadership, but is believed capable of carrying out directions. He will develop into a fair agent.

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August 25, 1931

JSE: EMF

Mr. Donald L. Nicholson, O Bureau of Investigation, Box 831, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your communication regarding your desire to be enrolled in the bookkeeping and elementary accounting course in accordance with Bureau Bulletin No. 7. Your name has been placed on the list and you will be furnished with this course.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Requested through Insp. Keith

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M. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

P. 0. Box 831 Detroit, Michigan August 25, 1931

Director
Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, in case of an emergency, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa., should be notified.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke, Acting Special Agent in Charge

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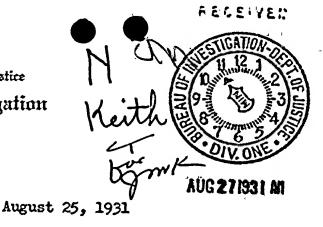
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

IN RE: NEWLY APPOINTED O SPECIAL AGENT D. L. NICHOLSON

This special agent interviewed me at my home on August 17, relative to a fictitious applicant for appointment as a special agent in the Bureau of Investigation. Nicholson presents a good appearance and a pleasing personality. He was thoroughly courteous in conducting the interview.

When he appeared at my door, he introduced himself as a Special Agent of the Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, but did not produce or exhibit his credentials and, inasmuch as I did not desire to indicate a familiarity with the investigative procedure of special agents, I did not ask to see his credentials. Agent Nicholson remained with me for only a few minutes and did not ask very many questions.

I was not greatly impressed with the thoroughness of his inquiry.

Respectfully,

T. F. Baughman

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dianh occarsionally but his excessively. Mr. Boughman hours little & applicains port schooling vo experience and the only experience to his knowledge is shot she applicant was employed by the Provident furname co. 7 Philadelphia, Pa. applicant has a brother employed in she I verign &x charge I wirin I the hatimal city round of hew york. on. y.

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P. O. Bex 831 Detroit, Michigan September 23 1931



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PERSONAL - CONFIDENTIAL.

Director-Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Special Agent D. L. Nicholson reported for assignment to the Detroit Office on August 24, 1931, and this is a thirty-day efficiency report relative to him.

This Agent is 25 years old, is of average build, somewhat tall, and presents a pleasing appearance. He is neat and clean in his manner of dress and seems to have a fair amount of poise.

Since his arrival at the Detroit Office, he has been engaged in the investigations of White Slave Traffic Act, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Theft of Government Property, and Fugitive cases. He has also run out leads en other classes of cases, one being an Anti-Trust case, and he has also made one initial Bankruptcy investigation. In the latter two instances, however, the reports have not as yet been typed.

He is proceeding with bankruptcy assignments, however, and I shall as soon as possible communicate with you relative to his ability to handle this class of involved matters.

This Agent appears to have the intelligence and comprehension to conduct satisfactory and thorough investigations. The first few investigations made by him, of course, overlooked some of the important details. However, upon these being called to his attention, his subsequent investigations continued to become more thorough and satisfactory until I am now convinced that he should in a very short time develop into a competent investigator. He demonstrates the ability to analyze his cases and proceed to a logical conclusion, with, of course, appropriate supervision of the Special Agent in Charge: The necessity for this careful supervision will soon disappear, as soon as he has had further experience:

In the preparation of his reports, there has, of course, been some cause for criticism, but solely because of his newness in the service and the lack of complete knowledge of Bureau administration and details.



This Agent is of English descent. In conversation with him one might not be impressed with his having a great deal of force and energy. However, I feel that the contrary is the truth. His work demonstrates aggressiveness. He proceeds well and has no desire to shirk official duties at any time they require his attention.

He appears to have a well-founded educational background and impresses one as being thoroughly intelligent;

As to executive qualities and ability to direct the work of others, I feel that it is yet too early to comment thereox.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke, Acting Special Agent in Charge

HHR:PS

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

HN:DSS

H.S.Department of Justice Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C. October 20, 1931.

D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT DETROIT, MICH

Efficiency rating
Previous efficiency rating
Entered on duty
Salary
Grade
Last promotion
Previous test ratings
Rules and Regulations
Instructions

Vfair (9/30/31)
None
August 3, 1931
\$2900
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None

94% 98.75% (Training School)

REMARKS

Inspector Keith, at the conclusion of the training period stated that this Agent did not appear to possess any executive ability: that his personal appearance was good; that he was of average poise, was not nervous, of fair assurance, tactful and of good personality; that at first he did not impress him as being very aggressive but later he believed him to have latent ability along these lines; that he believed he would develop into a good field investigator but his likelihood of development was fair. On September 23, 1931, Reinecke reported that he appeared to have the intelligence and comprehension to conduct satisfactory and thorough investigations; that the first few investigations made by him overlooked some important details; that these were, however, called to his attention; that he believed the necessity for careful supervision of his work would soon disappear; that in conversation he might not impress one as having much force and energy; that he believes that this is contrary to the truth; that his work demonstrates aggressiveness; that he appears to have a good educational background and to be thoroughly intelligent. In the efficiency rating comment Reinecke states that he displays considerable knowledge, judgment and initiative and he feels quite certain that he would develop by the next efficiency rating date into at least a good Agent.

I recommend no change.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Department of Justice Efficiency Rating Sheet

Office submitting Detroit, Michigan Date submitted September 30, 1931.

Name of employee	D. L. Nicholson,	Special Agent	CAT 8	\$2900.00
•	rvice August 3, 193 (Date)	(Title) 1 Entered on ((Grade) duty this offic	(Salary) De August 24, 1931 (Date)
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POOR	Exceptionally poor qualification consi	-	duty; exception	ally lacking in
UNSATISFACTORY	Duty NOT performed circumstances; not	as well as shoul	ld reasonably b	pe expected under
FAIR GOOD	Work performed in a Efficient; duty well satisfactory.	a fairly satisfac		
EXCELLENT	Duty performed in a than usually accept			ification better
fications set for employee is POOR, KNOWLEDGE: Extent analyze cases; readiness of co. JUDGMENT: Common. INITIATIVE: Trait bility in absen	ting should be based th below and should a UNSATISFACTORY, FAIR of information concepractical application mprehension. sense: ability to the of beginning needed cerof orders.	represent your factoring all duties n of intelligence ink clearly and a work-on taking a	inal judgment a LENT, as define s of his positi e and education arrive at logic appropriate act	as to whether the ed above: ion; ability to nal training; cal conclusions; tact cal conclusions; tact tion on own responsi-
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ATTITUDE TOWARD W discipline; dep	ORK: Attention to du	ty; loyalty to the	he service; ame	enability to
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Remarks:

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(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

The remarks contained in my special thirty day efficiency report on this agent, dated September 23, 1931, at this time still represent my opinion as to this agent. He is considered fair at this time because of the necessity of comparing him with the work of other agents who have been in the service longer. He displays considerable knowledge, judgment and initiative and I feel quite certain that he will develop, by the next efficiency rating date, into at least a good agent. His paper work, of course, due to his newness in the service, is not all that it should be in comparison with older employees. His attitude, personal appearance and industry are more than satisfactory. I do not feel that one can judge as to his executive capacity at this time due to his recent entry into Bureau service.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this rating?

Rating Officer

Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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	PlaceDetroit, Michigan
	DateOctober, 24, 1931
Name D.L. Nicholson	
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Title Special Agent.	,
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Languages:	
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Miscellaneous special qualifications:	
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	Special Agent in Charge.

January 18, 1932.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Bureau of Investigation, 625 Lafayette Building, Detroit, High.

Dear Sirs

The Bureau notes that in an emmanation conducted by Inspector Glagg with a view to securtaining your knowledge of the Namual of Instructions, you received a grade of 75.55.

The Purezu decires to state that this showing is unantialisticy and that it expects an immediate improvement.

Very truly yours

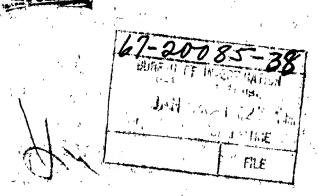
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D. L. NICHOLSON, SPECIAL AGENT

Entered on duty 8/3/31 Selery, \$2900.00 Preference, "The East." Nanual tests:

Rules and Regulations, 96%, missing a portion of question 35

Instructions, 75.5%, missing question 90 and portions of questions 12, 52, 52, and 72.

Special Agent in Charge Reinecke:

This employee has only been in the service since August. He is bright, quick to learn, and energetic. He is not burning up with pep and enthusiasm, yet he does his share of work both during and after hours. He analyses cases well, and Mr. Reinecke hopes to be able to recommend him as qualified to work on bankruptcy cases. He has poise and dignity, a perfect gentleman who knows his business, and will develop into an excellent agent in due time. Status, Good.

Inspector Clegg:

This employee, a graduate of George Washington University in 1931, is twenty-five years of age. He has passed the District of Columbia Bar. He makes a nice appearance, can make investigations expeditiously, and his progress has been splendiff. He is willing, appears to have good taste, and gives an impression of being semeshat quiet and perhaps lacking in some element of forcefulness, due perhaps to his newness in the service and his lack of confidence, which may be attributed to his lack of experience; however, he gives indication that these qualities will steadily improve. I am of the opinion that this amployee offers some premise for future development. Status, Fair.

Report of Inspector H. H. Olegs, Detroit Office, November 21 - December 4, 1931. Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, Box BSL, Detroit, Michagan.

Dear Sirr

The following described errors have been noted in reports originating in your office during the past month. Steps should be taken immediately to bring about a correction of the conditions described:

Breeryts:

Only two depice of the report of Special Agent D. L. Nichelson, detail October 14, entitles Marko Kadija, your file \$49-599, were Terrarded to the Bureau.

The report of Special Agent L. Barton, dated Detobar 9, entitled ark Blake Jenkins, with alimes, your file #47-559, failed to classify subject as a fagitibe in the Title of the report in compliance with existing Bureau regulations.

The value of the recovered ear is not indicated in report of Special Agent L. E. Barton, dated October 7, entitled William Lessevies, et al, your file #26-5096.

Very truly yours.

Director.

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H. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

625 Lafayette Building Detroit, Michigan February 11, 1932

Director, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1932 P.M.

Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, attached to the Detroit Office, has, since arriving here, conducted investigations in numerous bankruptcy cases and I feel that he is now qualified to perform investigations of this character with average supervision.

In the case entitled M. J. Rose Company, Inc., et al, Detroit file #49-424, he submitted an eleven page report, dated December 30, 1931, in which he conducted appropriate preliminary investigation as well as the substantial part of the entire investigation in a satisfactory manner. He did, however, overlook setting out a lead for the Los Angeles Office which I deemed advisable with a view of determining whether or not there were concealed assets. I discussed this with him at the time and he stated that he was of the opinion that investigation at that point would be to uncover facts too remote from the instant investigation to be of value. However, after discussing the matter with him, he appreciated the advisability of this.

In the case entitled William J. Green, Detroit file #49-424, he submitted an eight page report on December 29, 1931, in which the entire investigation and the opinion of the United States Attorney was set forth. This was a fairly simple case but reflected his ability to analyze the possibilities and reach a logical conclusion.

In the case entitled Marco Kadija, Detroit file #49-399, he submitted a six page report on October 2, 1931, wherein the bulk of the investigation was completed in a satisfactory manner. He followed this by three other brief reports which brought the case to a logical and appropriate conclusion.

In the case entitled Harvey L. Rieth, Detroit file #49-362, he took up this investigation after it had been begun by another agent. Under date of October 12, 1931, he submitted a sixteen page report

covering entirely the balance of the investigation. His work in this case again displayed his ability to analyze the facts at hand and previously developed by other agents with a view of performing further necessary investigation in a satisfactory manner.

In the case entitled William Rossman, et al, Detroit file #49-440, he submitted an eleven page report on February 6, 1932, wherein the preliminary data and court proceedings were satisfactorily handled.

In the case entitled Paradise & Sons, Inc., et al,
Detroit file #49-402, he submitted a thirteen page report, dated
November 27, 1931, wherein preliminary data and court proceedings
were appropriately handled and the major portion of the investigation
satisfactorily set up. He has followed this by two minor reports
wherein the investigation has been brought to a logical conclusion
and the facts at hand properly developed.

In the case entitled Isador Susman, et al, Detroit file #49-389, this agent picked up the investigation previously begun by another agent and on October 31, 1931, submitted a three page report and on November 21, 1931, submitted an eleven page report which, with the assistance of an intervening report by a special agent qualified in accounting matters, appears to have brought the case to a satisfactory completion and it appears that prosecution will ensue.

This agent is conducting further bankruptcy investigations in this district in order that he may further develop his ability to appropriately handle this class of cases. During the course of his investigations above related, I have carefully watched his work, discussed with him such investigation as it appears that he omitted, but which was important to the case as a whole, and I feel that he readily grasps any suggestion that I offer. He displays a general knowledge at this time of the bankruptcy statutes and the possibilities of a given set of facts. His good general intelligence and educational background stand him in good stead in these investigations and he seems to be able to apply his knowledge to the work at hand.

dery truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke, Acting Special Agent in Charge.

HHR:MB

H. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation
625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan
March 3, 1932





Director, U. S. Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to instructions contained in Bureau letter of February 27, 1932, please be advised that Special Agent D. LO Nicholson has testified in Federal Court once. This was at Toledo, Ohio, while I was recently at Washington.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

HHR:MB

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Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, 625 Lafayette Building, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sire

Reference is made to your letter of February 11, 1932, regarding the ability of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson to perform bankruptey investigations.

In view of the recommendation contained in this letter, Agent Micholson is being entered on the Bureau's rolls of those qualified to handle such cases.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Bureau of Inbestigation

Mashington, D. C.

April 18, 1932.

D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT DETROIT, MICH.

Efficiency rating

Previous efficiency rating

Entered on duty

Salary Grade

Last promotion

Previous test ratings

Rules and Regulations

Instructions

U83.5% (3/31/32)

Fair

August 3, 1931

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None

96% (March, 1932)

REMARKS

In November Inspector Clegg reported that this Agent made a good appearance, makes investigations expeditiously and his progress has been splendid; that he is willing, appears to have good taste and gives an impression of being somewhat quiet and perhaps lacking in some element of forcefulness, due perhaps to his newness in the service; that he offers some promise for future development. In march Inspector Clegg reported that he had made satisfactory progress; that he did not impress him as being particularly energetic or enthusiastic, although no evidences of slowness were found in the handling of his work; that he appears to be of somewhat above the average intelligence and ability; that his prospects may be slightly above the average. Acting Agent in Charge Reinecke states that he is clean cut with a good personal appearance; that he is slightly shy in the matter of personality but not very much so; that he is extremely intelligent with above average initiative and might deserve observation by the Bureau at a later date for supervisory ability; that he has made above the average headway in training himself in the Bureau's work and that he is only an average typist.

PECOMMENDATION

I recommend an increase when possible.

BECORDED. APR 25 1932

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

	Office submit	ting Detroit	Detroit, Michigan		
•	Date submitte	d March 31	1, 1932.		
Name of employee D. L. Nicholson, S	pecial Agent	CAF 8	\$2900.00		
Entered Bureau service August 3, 1931	Title) Entered on duty	(Grade) this office A	(Salary) ugust 24, 1931		
(Date)			(Date)		
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KNOWLEDGE: Extent of information concerning all duties of his position; ability to analyze cases; practical application of intelligence and educational training; readiness of comprehension_ JUDGMENT: Common sense; ability to think clearly and arrive at logical conclusion; tact INITIATIVE: Trait of beginning needed work or taking appropriate action on own responsibility in absence of orders	84 86 83 80 79 80 90 80	7 4 1 1 1 1 2 1	588 344 83 80 79 80 90 160 90
TOTAL (d		by 20)Rating	1670 83.5

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In arriving at the above rating for an employee, consider each of the ten qualifications separately. In the column headed "Grade" give a separate rating between 0 and 100% for each qualification, as explained at the beginning of the sheet under definitions of Inferior, Unsatisfactory, Satisfactory, Excellent, and Superior. Then multiply each separate grade given in each separate qualification by the respective number indicated in the column headed "Relative Weight." Extend the figure obtained for each separate qualification into the column headed "Total:" Add all the figures in the column headed "Total" and divide this sum by 20 to arrive at the final rating.

REMARKS:

(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

This agent is an extremely fine and clean-cut young man. His personal appearance, impression made on others and neatness are commendable. He is slightly shy in the matter of personality but not sufficiently so to have this characteristic in any manner deter him in the satisfactory performance of his work. He is extremely intelligent, with above average initiative and possibly deserves at a later date some observation by the Bureau in a supervisory capacity because of the good characteristics above mentioned. Since his entrance into the service he has made above average headway in training himself in the Bureau's work. He is only an average typist. I have not had an opportunity to observe him testify. His accounting knowledge is inconsequential although he is taking the Bureau's course, but to date has made no material headway.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this rating? Yes.

Rating Officer.

Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Dr L. Nicholson - Special Agent Entered on duty 8/8/31 Selary \$2900 Office preference - Philadelphia Manual tests: Pales and Regulations - 88, missing parts of 25 and 67 Instructions - 96, missing part of 47

ACTING OPECIAL AGENTAIN CHARGE HETNECKE

This is a young agent, clean-cut is appearance, very intelligent, has demonstrated aggressiveness and ability to proceed on his own initiative. He has developed into a competent investigator. With training he will later be worthy of observation, and in moting on his own initiative he usually is right. Status - medium Saateractory.

IMPROTOR CIRCO:

This agent is a bice looking young man, who appears to have made satisfactory progress. He is now resident agent at Cleveland. He does not impress one me being particularly energetic or enthusiastic, although no evidences of slowness were found in his handling of his work or his activities about the office. He seems to be of squawhat above the average intelligence and ability. His prospects may be slightly above the average. He is a new agent as yet. Status - Satisfactory.

Degret of Trapactor H. H. Clegg, Detroit Office, March 14-19, 1958. H.S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

625 Lafayette Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

May 5, 1932.

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Director, U. S. Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

This is a special efficiency report on Special Agent
D. L. Nicholson, Opursuant to Section 34 of the Manual of Rules
and Regulations.

This egent has been in the service somewhat less than a year. He is a young man of clean and neat appearance and perhaps above average intelligence, knowledge and judgment. He has quickly adapted himself to the Bureau's investigative work and administrative routine and has even now developed into an above average agent. He is careful and consistently thorough and accurate. He handles a great deal of work, making his volume above average. He has recently qualified, after handling considerable cases, in bankruptcy matters. He has had occasion to follow through one or two bank act cases which did not require the services of an employee qualified in accounting matters. As a result, although he has not been in the service a year, he is now qualified to handle most any class of investigation with only minimum supervision. He has only recently submitted his first bankruptcy summary which was quite unsatisfactory in form and completeness and required some revision. This is perhaps to be expected in the first summary of an involved bankruptcy and I feel certain that the suggestions offered to him by me, after which a satisfactory summary report was submitted. will result in his submitting entirely satisfactory reports of this kind in the future.

He is extremely loyal and devoted to his work, ambitious and desires to improve himself. He has always been pleased to receive constructive criticisms of his work and actions and better himself thereby.

He has never taken the witness stand since his arrival in the Detroit district and I have, therefore, not had the opportunity to observe his demeanor in that respect. He has developed himself into a satisfactory typist so far as submitting rough draft reports and other communications from the field. He is taking the Bureau's accounting course but has progressed only a short ways therein and as a result, his accounting ability is negligible.

Very truly yours,

H. H. REINECKE, Acting Special Agent In Charge

HHR-ICM

Cleveland, Ohio, April 83,1952.

MEMORANDUM FOR ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

The following is being submitted in accordance with your recent memorandum dated. April 21,1932.

RESIDENCE ADDRESS, -

4111 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

TELEPHONE NUMBER: -

ENdicott 9269.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN; - Mr. J. R. Micholson, Spangler, Pa.

Very truly yours,

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D. L. Micholson, Special Agent.

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Jay 9, 1932.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Bureau of Investigation, 625 Lafayerte Building, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has informed all employees that Accounting lessons must be submitted promptly, and determined a reasonable time to be two weeks after receipt by all Agents in Charge and three weeks for all other employees.

Your record does not indicate that you have been meeting the foregoing requirements. The Bureau assumes, therefore, that you are not sufficiently interested to continue this course and desires that you advise it by return mail relative thereto, returning any accounting lessons in your possession if such is the case.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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H. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation.



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Cleveland, Ohio, May 18,1932.

Director,
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find Lesson Number 2 of the Bookkeeping and Elementary Accounting Course. I desire to continue this course and in the future will endeavor to meet the requirements laid down by the Bureau relative thereto.

Very truly yours, O D.S. Hickshop

D.L. Nicholson, Special Agent.

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Cleveland, Ohio. June 25, 1932.

Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In conformity with Section 35 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations relative to Personnel Status, please find the following:

- a. Single.
- b. Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Masonic Order.
- c. Spangler, Pa.
- d. Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa. A. B. Degree. George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C. L. L. B. Degree.
- e. Mr. J. R. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa.
- f. Philadelphia, Pa.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson,

Special Agent.

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M.S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation 625 Lafayette Bldg. Detroit Michigan July 9, 1932



Director United States Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The following is a special efficiency report on Special Agent D. L. Nicholson recently transferred to the Washington Field office.

Agent Nicholson, designated as resident agent at Cleveland, Ohio, has performed very satisfactory service. He applies himself well, is possessed with good common sense and is industrious. He writes a clear, concise report and his dictation is good. He makes good contacts with law enforcement officials, has the Bureau's work at heart and every indication points to the fact that he is interested in same.

Although this Agent has been in the Bureau service slightly less than one year, he is able to handle any type of case with little supervision. He is qualified to perform bankruptcy investigations and has shown good results on Antitrust matters. He possesses good typing ability, and in my opinion, is absolutely reliable and dependable and can be considered a very satisfactory employee.

The file does not indicate that his manner of testifying in court has been observed by an Agent in Charge.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson

Special Agent in Charge

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625 Lafayotte Building Detroit, Michigan July 8, 1832

Special Agent in Charge United States Bureau of Investigation Rurley-Wright Building Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith please find personnel file and leave of absence card of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, recently transferred to your office.

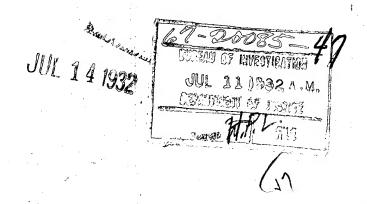
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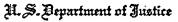
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Yours very truly,

Nm. Larson Special Agent in Charge

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Bureau of Investigation 311 Hurley-Wright Building,

Washington, D.C.

August 5, 1932.

Director. United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: D. L. NICHOLSON - Special Agent Personnel Matter

On July 7th Agent Nicholson reported to the field office for assignment and as the result of my observation during the past thirty days, I submit the following special efficiency report:

Nicholson entered the service August 3, 1931 and already is a veteran field agent. He performs his work with a high degree of efficiency. Nicholson has been used for several weeks as resident agent at Roanoke, Va., and the quality and quantity of work handled by him in that district has been extremely satisfactory. He has an excellent educational background, presents a splendid appearance and approach, and, in my opinion, has administrative ability, which not only warrants. his retention in the service, but which fits him for a supervisory position. Rough draft reports received from him at Roanoke during the past month have contained only six minor errors of form, to which his attention has been called.

Very truly yours

J. M. Keith,

Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANIAM FOR SPECIAL AGENT D. L. NICHOLSON

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311 Hurley-Wright Bldg. Washington, D. C. August 30, 1932

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Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is the leave of absence record card and field personnel file of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, who reported to the Bureau from the Washington Field Office for temporary assignment on August 29, 1932.

Agent Nicholson has the following Bureau property in his possession:

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Bureau Manual of Rules and Regulations and Instructions #71.

Bureau badge #224 and case.

Commission card and case.

Brief case.

Very truly yours,

Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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D. L. MIGHULSOM, Special Agent.

This employee entered an duty in August, 1951. He receives a salary of \$5900 per year. His office of preference is Thiladelphia. He is No years of age. His badge and commission sard were examined and found to be in entirfactory condition. He can use the typewriter and was working on Lesson ? Of the Perpau's accounting course during this inspection. He required a grade of 97 % on the Manual of Instructions and a grade of 96 2/3% on the Manual of Daise and Regulations.

This agent presents a good appearance, seems willing and interested but, in my apinion, is just a little times which will probably be everyone with more training. It is believed at this time his status can best be shown as Fair.

Report of Inspector Egan, Washington Field Office, 5/25/22 47-20175-51

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RECORDED September 2, 1932.

Special Agent in Charge, United States Bureau of Investigation, Hurley-Wright Building, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Field Personnel File and Leave Record Card of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, who is now assigned to the Bureau.

Yery truly yours,

Director.



H. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

311 Hurley-Wright Bldg. Washington, D. C. August 30, 1932



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Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

RE: SPECIAL AGENT D. L. NICHOLSON PERSONNEL MATTER

Dear Sir:

The following special efficiency report is submitted with reference to Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, in view of his transfer to the Bureau on temporary assignment, August 29, 1932:

During Agent Nicholson's assignment at the Washington Field Office he has been resident agent at Rosmoke, Virginia and has handled his assignments there in a highly satisfactory manner. Agent Nicholson is neat in appearance, possesses a very pleasant manner and approach, and he exhibits a highly satisfactory knowledge of the Bureau and its work. With the exception of a few minor errors in form, Agent Nicholson's work has warranted no close supervision and his reports from the field have been submitted promptly, neatly typed. He covers his assignments rapidly and thoroughly and I consider him a very satisfactory employee.

Very truly yours,

John B. Little.

Acting Special Agent in Charge

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September 27, 1932.

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I beg to submit the following report relative to the work of Mr. D. L. Nicholson who was assigned here on August 29, 1932, as Assistant Chief.

Mr. Nicholson has been engaged principally in the Card Index and Posting Sections as Assistant Chief and has acquired a good knowledge of the work therein. He seems to have a good mind, is industrious, interested in his work, and apparently is trying very hard to make a satisfactory record. To my way of thinking, he is a desirable type of employee but he seems to be sadly lacking in force or aggressiveness.

The principal errors chargeable to Mr. Nicholson during his assignment to date have been, first, his failure to properly reprimand Card Index Section employees for talking and for not working industriously, as well as for his failure to note that all matters were properly filed and followed up within the prescribed time. I have pointed out to him his deficiencies in this respect and he seems to have corrected his faults somewhat. However, I think that he is naturally timid and must acquire the faculty of supervising employees in the required manner. In addition, Mr. Nicholson has approved letters which contained typographical errors. I have called the same to his attention. He approved also for the monthly fugitive bulletin a reference to an individual being wanted by the "Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice" rather than by the "United States Bureau of Investigation". He had been instructed to check these matters in detail and could offer no explanation for his failure to detect the error. Finally, yesterday Mr. Nicholson left an official paper in the men's wash room on the 7th floor which was found by another employee and turned in to me. He was unable to explain his lack of attention to this matter. I told him that he should never carry papers off of the floor.

While the above report may indicate that Mr. Nicholson is not adapted for assignment here, I am not sure that such is the case. As stated above, he seems to have a good mind, is conscientious,

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and is willing to work hard. I am somewhat of the opinion that when he gets into the swing of things here he may be able to adapt himself to his assignments and acquire the necessary force and push. I have spent much time with Mr. Nicholson discussing these very problems, and I believe that he has the capacity for development along these lines. If I did not think so I would not recommend that he be retained here. I believe that under the circumstances he should be given a further trial, and so recommend. My view in this connection is somewhat influenced by the thought that Mr. Nicholson is relatively new in the service and possibly does not have a background favorable to At the same time, as stated, he is 'immediate development. quite interested in his work and requested me to secure the cancellation of a furlough leave request shortly after his assignment here. He willingly devotes overtime, and all of these matters I think must be considered in connection with his record.

I will submit a further report with reference to the above employee on October 15th.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

D. L. MICHOLSON - Special Agent.

This Agent is in Grade CAP-8; and receives a salary of \$2900 per annum.

Micholson received a grade of 88355 on the Manual of Reles and Regulations and 905 on the Manual of Instructions.

Mr. Schilder makes the following statements regarding this agent:

"This employee is very studious and thorough.

He performs overtime work willingly. He is probably,

it possibly, lacking in force; is enslytical and

conscientious. I believe that he will develop

favorably, However, he appears a little slow."

Our opinion of this employee is that he appears to be interested. He is conscientious and intelligent, but a little bit slower than the average, lacking in force and aggressiveness, and so not believe that he will qualify us an average Assistant Chief for this Bivision. However, we realise, of course, that this man has not been properly trained or instructed in his duties in this Division; as indicated in the attached copy of our memorandum directed to you under date of September 9, 1932, together with Mr. Schilder's reply dated September 10, 1932, However, it is not believed that action should be taken as to resoving this employee until a complete report can be submitted by Mr. Schilder.

Division Six Inspection, September 8-14, 1932. J. S. Egan, J. J. Edwards, Inspectors.

September 9, 1952.

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MEMORANDOM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

in examination on the Manuals of Rules and Regulations and Instructions was conducted today by Mr. Minuste and the writer, with the following result:

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Hespectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I beg to refer to my memorandum of September 27, 1932, submitting a thirty day report relative to the work of Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Assistant Chief here. In the said memorandum I indicated that I would submit a further report with reference to Mr. Nicholson on October 15th.

The Bureau Monthly Fugitive Bulletin for September, which was approved by Mr. Nicholson early last week contained numerous errors which have been brought to my attention. These errors were principally of an elementary character and comprised principally inconsistencies in connection with the preparation of data with regard to certain fugitives compared to other fugitives. For example, Mr. Nicholson did not adhere to his abbreviation list when preparing the Fugitive Bulletin. I had instructed him in detail relative to his work on these cases and had cautioned him as to the imperative necessity for their accurate and correct preparation. When the monthly bulletin was compiled and sent to me to be transmitted to you I checked the same and found two or three matters which were corrected. At that time Mr. Nicholson assured me that he could vouch definitely for the accuracy on other data included in the bulletin. His failure to compile it properly in my opinion indicates that he is not adapted for a supervisory assignment here and I beg to recommend that he be replaced by another Assistant Chief. It should be noted that Mr. Nicholson was not pressed for time in the preparation of the Fugitive Bulletin indicated since individual cards are prepared in accordance with our present administrative arrangement to note each fugitive whose apprehension is desired. These cards average two or three each day and the checking of the said cards should have brought to light any errors existing therein. I am turning this work over immediately to Mr. Schenken for his attention hereafter.

I am submitting this memorandum in advance of October 15th because of the unsatisfactory work of Mr. Nicholson, as outlined.

Respectfully,

L. C. Sc)

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October 10, 1932,

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In a conference this morning with Mr. Schilder and Mr. Appel, Mr. Schilder was informed that the manner in which the prospectively current number of wanted notice bulletins man handled this month was horrible. It was prepared and presumably sent to Division Ten. Division Ten noted numerous discrepancies and was compelled to send it back to Division Six for re-revision. This, of course, is all wrong inassench as it is and the function of Division Ten to prepare these in this manner and they were only caught this time because Mr. Appel had made a personal appeal to the personnel of Division Ten to watch it, having no confidence in the personnel of Division Six, which lack of confidence, incidentally, was found to be well grounded.

Of course, Mr. Schilder did not attempt to disclaim responsibility. He did say, however, that this undesirable condition was due to the utter inefficiency of Mr. Nichelson, who had been given specific instructions by him as to how to handle the wanted netice cards which are the basis for the notices in the bulletin. It would appear that Mr. Nichelson should be supplanted by an efficient employee.

Yery truly yours,

H. Nathan.

Note: Mr. Nicholson has been removed.

However it was Mr. Schilder's
responsibility nevertheless as he
is Chief of Div. 6,

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October 4, 1932.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Sunday afternoon about four o'clock, your office, Mr. Kennedy, I believe telephoned me at home stating a special delivery letter had been received from the Charlotte of fice inclosing the fingerprints of one Campbell, alleged to have been a member of the Lafayetta Escadrille. Mr. Kennedy stated that this case had attracted great attention at Charlotte and that Mr. Conroy wanted the prints searched in our Eureau and at the Army. Havy and other bureaus. He added that Mr. Conroy desired any information obtained by moon yesterday. He stated that our Bureau files had failed to disclose a record. He wanted to know whether I thought we should send the prints to the other bureaus Sunday evening and I told him I did not see how this could be done. He stated he had talked reviously with Mr. Egan and Mr. Egan said he thought the matter should be held until yesterday morning. The case same over to me on the first mail in the usual course of business. I turned it over to Mr. Nicholson. I told him to have Mr. Miller contact the fingerprint bureaus named and see whether a record of Campbell could be disclosed and to have all information available for me at noon.

While I was in the Supervisors' conference about 11:15 I stepped outside and Miss Sheaffer said Mr. Conroy was calling from Charlotte about the amnesia victim case. I told her to have him connected with Mr. Nicholson. When I returned here after lunch, Mr. Nicholson stated that Mr. Conroy had called and he had told him we had not as yet found a record. He stated that the Navy Eureau had not been searched yet, however, so I told Mr. Nicholson to have the Navy files searched. When this was done and the Navy record was found, I phoned the facts disclosed to Mr. Conroy. I then called Mr. Tolson, informing him of the facts, and telling him that our information had been based upon a memorandum from Mr. Taylor at the Navy Department. I mentioned that we did not have the Navy prints but I thought we could rely upon Mr. Taylor's memorandum to support the identification. I told Mr. Tolson I would prepare a letter to Charlotte immediately. A special delivery letter was prepared here, addressed to Mr. Conroy yesterday, confirming my telephone conversation with him and left here on the four o'clock delivery.

Respectfully.

L. C. Shhilder.

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October 20, 1932.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Division 6, United States Bureau of Investigation.

Dear Sir:

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A review of the Bureau's records indicates that you have not made prompt returns of the Bureau's accounting course. The rule at the present time is that an accounting lesson must be submitted within a three-week period by all employees of the Bureau who have subscribed for the course.

It has now been determined that after the receipt of this letter, if you do not submit all lessons within the allotted time, your name will be dropped from the accounting course roll, and no further lessons will be forwarded to you.

It is hoped, however, that it will not be necessary to take such steps, as it is believed that the accounting course is of great benefit to all employees of this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

M. E. Hoover

Director.

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October 31, 1932.

Special Agent in Charge, United States Bureau of Investigation, Hurley-Wright Building, Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the Field

Personnel File and Leave Record Card of Special Agent

D.L. Nicholson, assigned to your office.

Yery truly yours,

Director.

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311 Hurley Wright Bldg., Washington, D.C., November 28, 1932.



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Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.

RE: D. L. NICHOLSON
PERSONNEL MATTER

Dear Sir:

Special Agent Nicholson reported to the field office for assignment on October 27, 1932, and as a result of my observations of him during the past thirty days I submit the following report:

Nicholson has been in the service since August 3, 1931, and, I believe, has made remarkable progress. He uses the typewriter efficiently, is taking the Bureau's accounting course, and appears to be qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations. During the period of his assignment I have been particularly impressed with the speed, accuracy and efficiency with which he has undertaken his assignments. He dictates his reports rapidly and concisely, and achieves excellent results. He has a good educational background, presents a splendid appearance and approach, and, in my opinion, should be considered a good field agent, with a degree of administrative ability which will further develop with added experience.

Very truly yours,

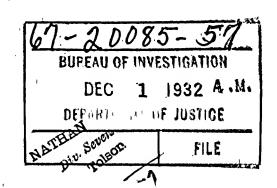
J.M.KEITH,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Bureau of Inbestigation 311 Hurley Wright Bldg., Washington, D.C., March 16, 1933.

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Director. United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington. D.C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your orders, Special Agent D. L. Nicholson departed from Washington at 8:00 P.M., March 15, 1933, for the purpose of reporting to Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey at Philadelphia for assignment.

On November 28, 1932 I submitted a special efficiency rating on Mr. Nicholson, and my opinion of him and his ability as a field agent has not changed since that time. He has done remarkably good work while in this district; serves effectively on bankruptcy cases and all other classes of Bureau investigations. I have noted that the investigative work performed by him in the case of Andrew Mason, Theft on Government Reservation, was especially outstanding. I had no confidence that this case could be solved, but he, nevertheless, has secured, through the use of unusual investigative tactics, sufficient evidence to warrant a conviction of the defendant.

Nicholson also served in an excellent manner as resident agent at Roanoke, Va. during the period of his assignment here. He has a good educational background, is quiet and gentlemanly in his outward demeanor and approach, uses:a lot of tact, is a speedy and accurate investigator, and is loyal beyond all question. It is my opinion that he should be considered at the present time a good field investigator, who has performed his duty in an efficient manner, and who is up to the standard in every respect. I think that Nicholson has a certain degree of administrative ability, which should further develop with added experience.

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Very truly yours

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311 Herley Wright Bldg., Washington, D. C., December 20, 1932.

Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sire

I furnish herewith the required information as to the resident addresses and telephone numbers of all ampleyees of the Washington Field office, together with information as to the resident addresses and telephone numbers of the next of kins

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Implayee	Resident address and telephone number	Next of kin, resident address, and telephone Humber
John M. Keith	Rosto #1, Box 65, Roselyn, Virginia Walaut \$414	Mrs. John M. Keith - same address and telephone.
Delght Breatley	3020 Porter St., N.H., Tachington, D. G., Hearpon 3006,	Mrs. Dwight Brantley, wife - same address and telephone.
R. P. Burress	2804 14th Street, M.W., Mashington, D. C. Adams 1800.	Mrs. R. P. Burruss, wife -
T. J. Compor	1336 Parkwood Place, M.W., Hashington, D. G., Galumbia 4153	Mrs. T. L. Conser (mother), seem address and belephone.
L. Levia	1748 Que Street, N. W., Hashington, D. C., Herth 9745.	Nathen Lavim, brother
R. R. Howby	3216 Klingle Head, N. W., Bashington, D. G., Claveland 1411.	Mrs. Virginia M. Howby, wife
D. L. Nichelson	3716 Woodley Road, N. W., Washington, D. C. Cleveland 6261.	J. R. Hichelson, father, Spengler, Pennsylvania.

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H. S. Bureau of Inbestigation Department of Justice

Philadelphia, Pa. April 3,1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE R.G. HARVEY:

The following is submitted as per your instructions;

Name. D. L. Nicholson

Address: Chancellor Hall.

Telephone: Pennypacker 3400

Name and address of next of kin to be notified in case

of emergency:

Mr. J.R. Nicholson

Spangler, Pa.

Telephone: Barnesboro 355.

D.L. Nicholson.

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Special Agent.

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H.S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

April 15, 1933.

Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.

Re: SPECIAL AGENT D.L. NICHOLSON
Thirty Day Efficiency Report

Dear Sir:

This Agent reported to the Philadelphia Office on March 16, 1933.

Agent Nicholson has a very good understanding of the duties of his position and exhibits good judgment in the conduct of his investigations. He has been handling a large volume of bankruptcy work in a very capable manner.

In addition to the comments set forth in the Efficiency Rating of March 31, 1933 on this employee, I beg to state that Nicholson possesses, in my opinion, a better than average understanding of all of the duties of his position and is competent to conduct investigations in practically all of the classifications of Bureau work. His work in this office has been entirely satisfactory.

Yery truly yours,

M. H. Nance

R.G. Harvey,

Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

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Pepartment of Justice Washington, P. C. April 10, 1933 Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Rdwards
Mr. Clegg

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D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT Philadelphia. Pa.

Efficiency rating 87.30% 3/31/33
Previous efficiency rating 83.5% 3/31/32
Entered on duty August 3, 1931
Salary \$2900
Grade Caf 8
Last promotion None
Previous test ratings

Rules and Regulations 88.5% Instructions 90% September, 1932

REMARKS

For a portion of the time during the last efficiency rating period this Agent was in Division Six in a supervisory capacity. In September, 1932, Mr. Schilder stated that he had failed to properly reprimend card index employees; that he seemed to have a very good mind, was industrious and interested in his work; that he was a desirable employee but seemed to be lacking in force and aggressiveness; that he is naturally timid; that he approved letters which contained typographical errors and had exhibited evidences of carelessness. Mr. Schilder stated that when he got into the swing of things he might be able to adapt himself to his assignments and acquire the necessary force; that he is rather new in the service. In October, 1932, Mr. Schilder referred to the fact that the Bureau monthly fugitive bulletin for September was approved by Nicholson and contained numerous errors. He was transferred to the Washington Field office and in November, 1932. Agent in Charge Keith states that he believed this Agent has made remarkable progress since entering the service of the Bureau; that he was particularly impressed with the speed, accuracy and efficiency with which he has undertaken his assignments; that he dictates his reports rapidly; that he has achieved excellent results and has a good educational background; that he is a good field Agent with a degree of administrative ability which will develop with added experience. Mr. Keith later reported that he had done extremely good work while in his district. He was transferred to the Philadelphia office. In the efficiency rating comment Agent in Charge Harvey states that his attitude is excellent; that he is self-confident; that he is methodical: that he has a good personality, is tactful and loyal and requires less than average supervision; that he possesses better than average ability and has possibilities for development in an executive capacity.

RECOMMENDATION. RECORDED

I recommend an increase when Rossible.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

Office submitting	PHILADE	LPHIA, PA	•	
Date submitted				
Name of employee NICHOISON, D.L., SPECIAL AGENT, (Title)	CAF 8,	\$2900	.00	
Entered Bureau service	(Grade) MARCH	16, 1933 (Date)	(Salary)	
Consider carefully these definitions, keep them in mind when rating, and others in the same position for the entire service:	compare	the employ	ee with all	
INFERIOR (0-59%) EXCEPTIONALLY POOR performance LACKING in qualification considered.	of duty;	EXCEPT	ONALLY	
LACKING in qualification considered. UNSATISFACTORY (60-74%) Duty NOT performed AS WELL AS SHOULD REASONABLY I EXPECTED under circumstances; not satisfactory.				
SATISFACTORY (75-84%) EFFICIENT; duty WELL PERFORM qualification SATISFACTORY.	ED; ^{t;} UI	O STA	NDARD;	
EXCELLENT (85-92%)				
SUPERIOR (93-100%)	nance of	duty; qua	lified to a	
To what degree has he exhibited the following qualifications? Consider in the same position for the entire service.	him in co	omparison w	rith others	
	GRADE	RELATIVE WEIGHT	TOTAL	
KNOWLEDGE: Extent of information concerning all duties of his position; ability to analyze cases; practical application of intelligence and educational training; readiness of comprehension.	85	7	595	
JUDGMENT: Common sense; ability to think clearly and arrive at logical conclusions;	86	A	344	
INITIATIVE: Trait of beginning needed work or taking appropriate action on own responsibility in absence of orders	86	1	86	
FORCE: Aggressiveness; faculty of performing work with vigor and resolution	90	,1	90	
INDUSTRY: Physical activity; application to work; health; energy	96	'1	96 ***********	
ACCURACY: Attention to details; thoroughness; precision	90	1	90	
PERSONAL APPEARANCE: Impression made on others; personality; neatness	94	1	94	
PAPER WORK: Reporting; marshaling facts; dictating	89	2	178	
ATTITUDE TOWARD WORK: Attention to duty; loyalty to the service; amenability to discipline; dependability	95	1	95	
EXECUTIVE CAPACITY: Executive ability; leadership; capacity to direct, control, and influence others in proper performance of duties.	78	1	78	
Total (divide by 20)				
		RATING	87.30	

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In arriving at the above sting for an employee, consider each of the ten qualifications separately. In the column headed "Grade" give a separate rating between 0 and 100% for each qualification, as explained at the beginning of the sheet under definitions of Inferior, Unsatisfactory, Satisfactory, Excellent, and Superior. Then multiply each separate grade given in each separate qualification by the respective number indicated in the column headed "Relative Weight." Extend the figure obtained for each separate qualification into the column headed "Total." Add all the figures in the column headed "Total" and divide this sum by 20 to arrive at the final rating.

REMARKS:

(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

Agent Nicholson has an excellent attitude towards his work. He is self confident, and proceeds on his investigations in a methodical manner. He has a good personality, is tactful, and exceedingly loyal. He requires less than average supervision. He is qualified to perform bankruptcy investigations. He possesses typing ability. His reports are well prepared and thorough.

I believe that Nicholson possesses better than average ability, and has possibilities for development in an executive capacity. I have had no opportunity to observe his testimony.

In my opinion this Agent will continue to improve.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this rating?

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April 28, 1933.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, United States Bureau of Investigation, 735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

A review of the lessons submitted by you in the accounting course given by the Bureau indicates that you have not completed a sufficient number to warrant its continuance. The course was initiated by you on August 25, 1931 and until now you have completed only 8 lessons.

In view of the foregoing it is felt that it would be inappropriate to continue this course and your name has, therefore, been dropped from the accounting course rolls.

You will please return all accounting lessons in your possession.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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The

H. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
Philadelphia Saving Fund Building
Philadelphia, Pa.
June 27, 1933.

Director: United States Bureau of Investigation; Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to section 35 of the manual of Rules and Regulations the following is submitted as the personnel status of this Agent as of July 1, 1933:

- (a) Single.
- (b) Kappa Sigma Fraternity; Mason.
- (c) Spangler, Pa.
- (d) A.B. Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., 1928; LL.B.

 George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C.

 1931; Member District of Columbia Bar, admitted 1932.
- (e) J. R. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa., father.
- (f) Detroit, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson, Special Agent.

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H. S. Burenn of Investigation

Bepartment of Justice

735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

August 21, 1933.

Director, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of July 19, 1933, relative to giving Special Agents an opportunity to qualify in Anti-Trust investigations, I submit the following recommendation regarding Special Agent D.LONicholson:

This Agent has performed investigations in the following Anti-Trust cases:

General Register Corporation and General Motion Picture Investigation at Cleveland, Ohio;

Millinery Quality Guild, Washington, D.C., and

Sun Oil Company, Cement Manufacturers and Ludowici-Celadon Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

Nicholson has a very good understanding of the requirements for this phase of the Division's work, and has performed very satisfactory services in those cases he has worked on in this district. He is qualified to conduct investigations in the most complicated cases of this nature.

I recommend that he be placed on the qualified list.

Very truly yours,

P. H. Nature

R.G. Harvey,

Special Agent in Charge.

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RECORDER

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Mr. Nathan

I. D. Ticholow do solemnly
swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and
allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any
mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faith-
fully discharge the duties of the office of
special ozent Durision g Amestigatus a. L. Department y Justice
on which I am about to enter: So help me God.
(Sign here) D.J. Nicholson
Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only) Ponnue day) Date of birth Hel. 20,1906
of August A. D. 1933) Whence appointed:
State Permacounty Cambria
Congressional District 77
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Notary Public
XX ADELBERT SCHROEDER NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires March 9, 1935
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Date of entry upon duty ung 10 1933
Residence Springle Pa
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B. L. MICHDLEON - SPECIAL AGENT

This employee has been transferred to the Philadelphia office and was not interviewed during the course. of the recent impossion. Agent in Charge Keith siviese that although Nichelson has no exceptaive ability, he did good work while at the Nakhington Field office; that he he a life boy and does a good job on his seeignments. Status goods

Inspection report Beatington Viels Office - May 12: 1985. October 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, W. S. Department of Justice, 625 Lafayette Euilding, Detroit, Michigan.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the Field Personnal File of Special Agent D. L. Onicholson who is now assigned to your office, and a communication dated September 28, 1933 addressed to you by Mr. R. G. Harvey, Special Agent in Charge of the Philadelphia Office, which were forwarded to the Division through error.

With reference to the ageond paragraph of Mr. Harvey's letter, there is enclosed herewith a leave record card for Mr. Nicholson. You are advised that Mr. Nicholson has not taken any annual or sick leave to date.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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735 Philadelphia Havings Fund Building, Philadelphia, Formsylvenia

August 31, 1999

Director, Division of Equestiquisms, U. S. Department of Justice, Wookington, D. G.

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Reference is made to Division letter dated August 16, 1933 emetraling the qualifications of the Special Agents in the use if fire stare

This is to advise that upday the dubes of August 29 and 30, the following agents, motor the supervision of Corporal 5. Balangh, expert mistol was rifle what of the Guited States Marine Corps, Havy Yard, Philadelphia, qualified in piriol muchanomatics.

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September 8, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Suilding, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With mference to your letter dated August 21, 1933, concerning the qualification of Special Agent D. L. Micholson to conduct Antitrust Investigations, please be advised that Agent Micholson's name has been placed among those considered qualified to conduct Antitrust investigations.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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755 Philedelphia Saving Fund Building Philadelphia, Pa,

September 39, 192

Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. 628 Lefayette Building, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir;

I am transmitting herewith notation as to the grade received by opecial Agent D. LP Nicholson in pistol marksmenship, which should be included in his personnel file.

Very truly yours.

S. O. HARVEY, opecial Agent in Charge.

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755 hiladolphia Saving Fund Building, Philadelphia, Ferneylvania.

October 3, 1935.

Special Agoat in Chargo, Division of Investigation, U. S. Dopertmont of Justice 625 Lafagotto Bullding, Detroit. Michigan.

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I em transmitting herewith officioncy rating, as of September
1933, for Special Agent D. L. Wichelson, who was recently transport of your office.

It is kindly requested that you insert the date Michelson entered the Dividients service in the space provided as this information is not available as Micholson's personnel file has allegify hoof forwarded to your office.

Vory truly yours, 19

R. C. HARVEY, Special Agant in Charge.

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H. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

625 Lafayette Bldg. Detroit Michigan October 20, 1933

Director Division of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division communication dated October 13, 1933 in which it is noted that Special Agent D. L.ONicholson, recently transferred to this office, had not received complete instructions regarding the use of the rifle, machine gun and shot gun.

Please be advised that on October 19 Agent Nicholson was given the necessary instructions in the use of the rifle at the National Guard range, Ann Arbor, Michigan and attained the following scores:

> 200 Yards 300 Yards

46

41 Average 43

An average of 36 out of a possible 50 over each of these ranges is required to attain the rating of marksman, which mark, it will be noted, this Agent passed.

This Agent has also received complete instructions regarding the use and the handling of the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, which instructions were furnished by Mr. G. W. Greig, a representative of the Federal Laboratories, on September 30 at Fort Wayne, Detroit, as indicated in my communication to the Division dated October 6. Agent Nicholson informs me that he has had considerable experience with the shot gun. However, he will be afforded an opportunity to shoot this particular gun within the course of the next few days. It is noted upon examination of the personnel file of this Agent that he has qualified in the use of a pistol.

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Presial Agent in Course, Division of Investigation, V. A. Department of Justice, the Interests hallding, Detroit, sichigan.

Jour Sirs

deference is made to Division letter of deptember 7, 1938, concerning the training match is to be given to the Special agests of this Division in the mass of firemen and to your letter of September 11, 1934, advising that this training would be given and that offert would be made to have each agent qualify as a Markuman with the pistol.

You are naviced that the reports of this effice reveal that Special Agents S. C. Semeste, N. R. Bonnidson, J. A. Semes, D. R. Hell, and yourself have not qualified as Markwan with the vistol to date and that Special Agents D. L. Richolson and Semeste have not received instruction in the new of the rifle. The received instruction in the handling of the automatic shot and her the sub-qualine gus.

It is requested that you give this matter your immediate and prompt attention and that arrangements be unde in order that every agent of the Detroit Office may be qualified as a Marksons with the pintol at the carliest possible date and may have been viven instruction in the headling of the other firearms.

Yeary truly yours.

Director.

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H. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

625 Lafayette Bldg. Detroit Michigan October 30, 1933 Mr. Nathan
Mr. Folson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Mr. Looke

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The following is a thirty day special efficiency report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, who reported for duty at this office September 28, 1933.

Agent Nicholson is a very fine employee, industrious, willing and aggressive. Since his assignment to this office, he has worked on various types of cases and has clearly demonstrated complete knowledge of the Division's work. He handles his assignments with unusual dispatch and goes thoroughly into each and every matter. His work requires practically no supervision and I have been greatly impressed by his initiative. He goes about his work in a business-like, unassuming manner and accomplishes excellent results.

From all indications this Agent possesses some executive ability and it is my recommendation that he be given an opportunity to demonstrate same as a number one man.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson

Special Agent in Charge

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Pivision of Investigation

U.S. Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

November 17, 193

Mr. Nathan

Mr. Tolson

Mr. Clegariones

Mr. Egan

Mr. Quinn

Mr. Locke

Mr. Hugnes

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D. L.NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT, Philadelphia Office.

Efficiency rating
Previous efficiency rating
Entered on duty
Salary
Grade
Last salary change
Previous test ratings:
Rules and Regulations
Instructions
Accounting Course
Marksmanship

89.70% (9-30-33) 87.30% August 3, 1931. \$2900 Caf 8 None

88.5% 90% September, 1932. Dropped Marksman

REMARKS

Agent in Charge Harvey states that this Agent has acquired a very good knowledge of all classifications of the Division's work; that he possesses initiative; is forceful and aggressive; has performed good work in connection with bankruptcy cases and is now qualified to handle antitrust cases; that he believes he possesses excellent judgment and has the necessary qualifications for executive capacity. Agent in Charge Larson states that he has handled his assignments with unusual dispatch and is thorough; that his work requires practically no supervision; that he has been impressed with his initiative; that he goes about his work in a business-like, unassuming namer and accomplishes excellent results; that he believes he possesses some executive ability and recommends that he be given an opportunity to demonstrate same as a Number One Man.

RECOMMENDATION,

In view of the fact that this Agent is now qualified to handle the more involved types of cases, I recommend that he be re-allocated to Grade Caf 9, \$3200.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

	Office submitting PHILADELPHIA, PA.		
Name of employee NICHOLSON, D.L., Entered Bureau service 8/3/3/ (Date)		MAR 1 (Salary)	
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In arriving at the above rating for an employee, consider each of the ten qualifications separately. In the column headed "Grade" give a separate rating between 0 and 100% for each qualification, as explained at the beginning of the sheet under definitions of Inferior, Unsatisfactory, Satisfactory, Excellent, and Superior. Then multiply each separate grade given in each separate qualification by the respective number indicated in the column headed "Relative Weight." Extend the figure obtained for each separate qualification into the column headed "Total." Add all the figures in the column headed "Total" and divide this sum by 20 to arrive at the final rating.

REMARKS:

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rating?

(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

the Agent Nicholson has acquired a very good knowledge of all classifications of / Division's work. He does not hesitate to make decisions on his own initiative. He is forceful and aggressive. He has performed good work in bankruptcy investigations. He has been qualified by the Division to conduct Anti Trust investigations.

Nicholson is qualified in pistol markmanship. Inhave had no opportunity to observe his testimony in Court. He possesses excellent judgment.

I am of the opinion that this Agent has the necessary qualifications for executive capacity.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this

Rating Officer.

February 16, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SORNBORGER. APPOINTMENT CLERK

It is requested that letters be prepared, transferring the following employees of the Division of Investigation, as indicated, payable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", VIELD, effective February 16, 1934:

NAME

FROM

Mr. D. L. Nichelson Special Agent, Car 8, \$2900 per annum

Special Agent, Caf 8, \$5000 per annua

Special Agent, Caf 9, \$3800 per annum

TO

Special Agent, Caf 9, \$3200 per annum, vice -H. N. Connaughton, resigned.

Special Agent, Caf 9, \$3200 per annum, vice -W. L. Pierson, resigned.

Special Agent, Caf 10, \$5500 per annum, wice -An additional position.

Very truly yours,

APPROVED:

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

CC: Mr. Sornborger Disbursing Clerk Fiscal Control

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February 15, 1934.

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D. L. Nicholson

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March 1, 1934

Special agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 625 Lafavette Building, Detroit, Michigan.

Re: FRANK G. THOMSON,
Application for Pardon
to Restore Civil Rights.

Dear Sir:

The Division is in receipt of the report submitted by Special agent 3. L. Nicholson, dated February 24, 1934, in the above matter.

The report of agent Nicholson fails to indicate that a thorough inquiry has been conducted in an effort to determine Thomson's activities since his release from the penitentiary. It is noted that agent Nicholson explained his failure to interview previous employers of Thomson because they had no knowledge of his penitentiary sentence.

Investigations on applications for pardon to restore civil rights are not limited to individuals acquainted with the applicant's criminal life. Every effort should be made to develop a thorough and unbiased picture of the applicant's life since his discharge from the penitentiary. Of course, the investigation should be so conducted as not to embarrass the petitioner in any way or give his case undue publicity.

In this case, the previous employers of Thomson should be discreetly interviewed, as well as conducting discreet inquiry in the neighborhood where Thomson previously reside. In the event investigation is necessary in other districts, appropriate undeveloped leads should be set out.

Very truly yours,

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JUSTIFICATION FOR FILLING VACANCY DADER AUTHORITY OF THE ACT IN ROYAL MARCH 86, 1953.

Department of Justice

Fosttion No.

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Bureau or Office:

Division of Investigation

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2 CAF 9 Special Agent positions

Compensation:

\$3200 per amum

Location:

Field Service

Appropriation:

"Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", First

Date of Vacaney:

1/5/34; 2/6/34.

Justification:

These Special Agents in Grade Caf 8, \$2900 and \$5000 per annum. are, after special training and trial, being transferred to Special agent positions in Oracle Car 9, \$2000 per amore, to fill vacancies occasioned by the resignations of two employees on January 5, 1934, and February 6, 1954. These opents have received investigative training and the duties of the new assignment are of a more difficult type and require a very complete knowledge and basic understanding of the problems involved in certain of the more complex investigative cases handled by the Division. The work is exacting and requires that very careful investigative attention be given to the securing of evidence to be used in the prosecution in the Federal Courts of violators of the Federal Statutes. Because of this assignment, which represents a charge and increase of duties, the approval of these transfers, effective February 16, 1934, to fill the above mentioned vacancies, is requested.

A. C. Chapman

The last encumbent of this position was Mr. 7. L. Flerson, salary \$3200 per amoun, who resigned effective Jamery 5, 1934.

D. L. Micholson

The last encumbent of this position was Mr. H. Connaughton, salary \$3200 per sumum, who resigned on February 6, 1984.

I certify that the filling of the above vacent positions is absolutely essential in the public interest and that finds will be available for the payment of the salaries of those positions under the expenditure limitations for the fistal year 1934.

Approval is recommended.

Pirector.

March 15, 1934.

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Mr. D. L. Micholson, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 625 Lafayette Building, Detroit, Michigan,

Dear Mr. Micholson:

It is with pleasure that I am inclosing herewith the letter of the Assistant to the Attorney General, advising you of your promotion from \$2900 per annum, in Grade Caf-8, to \$3200 per annum, in Grade Caf-9, effective Tebruary 16, 1934.

Sincerely yours,

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Director.

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ec - SAC Larsen, Detroit

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July 1

Division of Investigation

IL. S. Department of Justice P. 0. Box 515 St. Paul, Minn. March 20, 1934.

Director: Division of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith executed oaths of office to provide for the increase of grade from Caf-8 to grade Caf-9 which became effective February 16, 1934. This promotion and increase in grade is greatly appriciated.

D.L. Nicholson,

Special Agent.

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swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and
allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any
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fully discharge the duties of the office of Special agent Division of the triggita U. L. Department of Justice
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only). Pluma Jointieth day) Date of birth Hill. 20, 1906
of March
State. County County
Congressional District 27
Notary Public
J. H. HOSKINS. Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn. My Commission expires March 14, 1941.
SEAL: XX Date of entry upon duty Fiel 16, 1934
Residence Sprangler Fa

April 9, 1934.

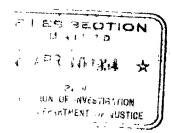
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

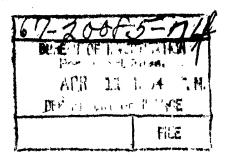
In talking with Mr. Clegg at St. Paul last night, he referred to the ability of Special Agent Dicholson in handling the review of reports and the supervision of clerical matters. He stated he was particularly adept in this qualification, and that he was better along these lines than serving in a strictly investigative capacity.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

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Pivision of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Mushington, D. C.

April 21, 1934

D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT, Detroit, Michigan.

Efficiency rating

91.2%

MR. NATHAN

MR. TOLSON ...

MR. CLEGG.

MR. COWLEY .. MR. EDW&RDS

MR. EGAN

MR. QUINN MR. LESTER ...

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MR. RORER.

Previous efficiency rating 89.70% Entered on duty

August 3, 1931

Salary

Caf 9, \$3200

Last salary change

February 16, 1934

Previous test ratings:

88.5%

Rules and Regulations

90% September, 1932

Instructions

Accounting course

Dropped 4-28-33

Bankruptcy

Qualified

Marksman

Marksmanship

REMARKS

Mr. Larson states that Agent Nicholson is a very fine employee, loyal, willing and industrious; that he handles an unusual amount of work with little effort, requires practically no supervision, analyzes his cases, expedites his work, often works many extra hours, is capable of performing any type of investigation and in his opinion possesses executive ability.

This Agent has been ordered transferred to Charlotte and has been designated No. 1 man in that office.

In April Mr. Clegg advised you that in his opinion Agent Nicholson is particularly adept in the reviewing of reports and supervision of criminal matters. He believes Agent Nicholson is better along this line than serving in strict investigative capacity.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend no change.

Clyde Tolson. MAY 3- 1934



DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

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•	Date submitte	d March 31,	1934
Name of employee D. L. Nicholson	Special Agent	Caf 9 (Grade)	\$3200 (Salary)
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INITIATIVE: Trait of beginning needed work or taking appropriate action on own responsibility in absence of orders	91	1	91
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P. O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 4, 1934.

Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 31, 1934, with reference to my aiding Mr. Ladd to become acquainted with the Bremer, Hamm, and the Dillinger cases, as well as other matters and observations in the territory covered by the St. Paul office. You are advised that I am giving this matter my constant attention in accordance with your request.

I have already made Mr. Ladd acquainted with the newspaper reporters who cover the Federal Building, and have made arrangements whereby we are to both call upon the Managing Editors of the three principal papers in St. Paul, at an early date. We are now concerning curselves with the continued organization of personnel and plans for locating the Bremer and the Hamm bideouts in this territory; and I have been keeping Special Agent D. L. Micholson, the Mo. 1 man at the St. Paul office, in close and constant touch with all details and developments in the special assignments here so that he too can be of service to Mr. Ledd at the latter's request. Now that Mr. Nicholson has been designated as No. 1 man at the St. Paul office, we are giving to him benefits of any observations and instructions possible with reference to the administrative control and operation of an office as I feel that Mr. Micholson possesses potential ability along administrative lines. I have also arranged with Mr. Ladd whereby Mr. Nicholson can be given as much experience as possible in this connection.

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDOM FOR MR. GLAVIN.

Please prepare the necessary papers transferring the following-named employees, as indicated:

J. E. Brennen from Gaf 9, \$5500 to Caf 10, \$5500

G. J. Modres from Caf S, \$2900 to Caf 9, \$8200

A. Fanl Kitchin from Caf 8, \$2900 to Caf 9, \$5200

K. R. HeIntire from Caf 8, \$2900 to Caf 10, \$5800

James J. Metcalfe from Gaf 9, \$8200 to Gaf 10, \$8500

D. L. Micholson from Caf 9, \$5200 to Gaf 10, \$5500

J. C. Herman from Caf 10, \$5500 to Baf 11, \$5800

E. L. Rielmond from Caf 8, \$2900 to Caf 9, \$5200

B. E. Sackett from Caf 10, \$5500 to Caf 11, \$5800

W. A. Smith from Caf 10, \$5500 to Caf 11, \$5800

P. T. Sowell from Caf 8, \$2900 to Gaf 10, \$5500

P. Trapani from Caf 9, \$5200 to Caf 10, \$5500

C. E. Weeks from Caf 8, \$2900 to Caf 8, \$5280

J. J. Waters from Cef 10, \$5500 to Cef 11, \$5800

Yery truly yours,

Director.

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April 2, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR 4. A. RORER:

With reference to your memorandum dated April 1, 1934, please be advised that I have had some experience in taking latent fingerprints but do not feel qualified to go into a room or house and take satisfactory prints.

D. L. NICHOLSON,

Special Agent.

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July 7, 1934.

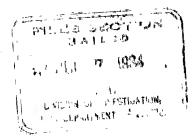
Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

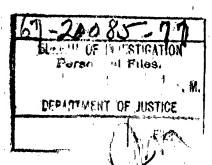
The Division files do not indicate that a thirty day efficiency report on Special Agent D. L. Nicholson has been submitted. Kindly give this matter your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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1934, particularly that part referring to a secondary classification of personnel at field offices in connection with the performance of dangerous work. I beg to state that I have come to the conclusion that a selection of this type of personnel is not feasible at the present time owing to the apparent scarcity of the number thereof. I have the conjugate reviewed his Division's personnel and those coming in the settle of referred to lies, those most dealified for the spire complicated work of the the Division and not primarily qualified for dangerous work, but was might perform secondary work along this line, are as follows:

William F. Koefe - Boston

L. C. Charleso - Chicago (now on special assignment
at St. Fail)

C. Jestina - Chicago

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T. P. Milken - Chicago

H. L. Scatt - Chicego

E. J. Dond - Dallas

M. Sorola - New Orleans

Ja E. Mos - New York

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Q. Ptrocvitsky - Portland

Tou will see from the foregoing that it would be rather difficult to select these few agents for any special work along the lines in question. Keeks at Seston is probably busy on general work and probably fits into the Seston atmosphere as well as any other Agent there. Querrare is now doing work of the kind referred to at St. Paul. Jenkins I understand is at the World's Pair. Rice is a hard working industrious; decent shap, who will never set the world aftre. T. I. Mulbem has seen his best days, if he ever had any, and is used on general back work in Chicago. H. L. Scott is a rather growthy individual who could probably perform the average

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type of investigation at the present time. Down is a better investigator than I think he is given credit for being. I have seen his work rather. closely in the last year or so. The reason his name is included in the foregoing is that I think he is qualified for the dangerous work specified; in the other list, but Special Agent in Charge Blake apparently did not think so. Sorola is, I believe, pretty much of a total loss, only good when a Mexican revolution is in progress because he speaks Spanisk, and I doubt very much it he is much good then. Amos of New York you know. J. E. Fitzpatrick and W. J. McNulty at New York are about the same type who probably fit into the general atmosphere there. They can probably bandle extertion cases. J. J. Keating is under orders of transfer to Chicago. Leating is a source of information in gangeter dases, beving an extremely retentive memory apparently, and being always able to glibly refer to the connections of various gangsters. In this capacity he would de well. J. J. Perkins is a medicore Agent or less than medicore. G. H. Phinney never was any good as an Agent. C. Patrovitsky undoubtedly has done good work, but is advanced in years.

records of the above, but believe mothing can be done with regard to any specific assignment of these few men. Incidentally, D. L. Nicholson, now at St. Peul, is I believe, a splendid man to be placed on the desk end of a major case.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

P. O. Box 515, St. Paul. Minnesota June 18, 19.4. Director. Division of Investigation. V. S. Department of Justice. Maenington, D. C. relative to those Agents presently sesting to this office who are considered as realitied for designations. ductifies to headle dangerous work ore as follows L. Notastica G. Selvin - B. Caulton D. M. Louid, Special Agent in Charge Yeary truly yours, D. M. Ladd, Special Agent in Guarge.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON, D,C.

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June 26, 1934.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson,

Division of Investigation,

Department of Justice.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby transferred from one position to another in the Division of Investigation as indicated below:

FROM

TO

Position

Special Agent

Grade

Caf 9

Salary

3200 per amoun

Appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", Field.

Position Special Agent

Grade

Caf 10

Salary

93500 per amnum

Appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", Field. Effective with entry on duty

To succeed additional position

You should execute the required oath office,

By the Attorney General:

(Signed) William Stanley

Assistanto Attorney General.

Attorney General.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR TYLLING VACANCY UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE ACT APPROVED KINGS 20, 1933

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Department of Justice

Position No.

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Division of Investigation

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4 - Gaf 10 Special Agent positions

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\$3500 per analys

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Date of Vacancy:

Four additional positions

Justification:

These Special Agents in Inwis Caf 9, 49200 per annua, are being transferred after special training and trial to Grade Caf 10, with salary at the rate of \$3500 per annua, to fill additional positions. The duties of the new accignments accessitate asking exceptionally difficult and important investigations in conspiracy and fraud cases of all kinds and in performing investigations in technical cases of great complexity and importance including violations of the National Bank, Pederal Reserve, Benkruptcy and Pederal Extertion Acts and also the Anti-Trust and Federal Kidnaping statutes. The work is exacting and requires that very careful investigative attention be given to seeme evidence to be used in prosecuting violators of the above Yedoral statutes. It is therefore requested that these transfers be approved incomen as the assignments constitute sev positions.

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I certify that the filling of the above weant positions is obsolutely essential in the public interest, and that funds will be available for the payment of the salaries of those positions under the expenditure limitations for the fiscal year 1934. Approval is recommendeds

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July 9, 1934.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Micholson:

It is with pleasure that I am inclosing herewith the letter of the Assistant to the Attorney General, advising you of your promotion from \$3200 per annum, in Grade Caf-9, to \$3500 per annum, in Grade Caf-10, effective July 1, 1934.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoever, Director.

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cc - BAG Ladd, St. Paul

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Division of Investigation

M. S. Department of Justice P. 0. Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota.

July 1, 1934.

Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Section 35 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, I desire to submit the following information as to my personnel status, as of this date:

- a. Marital status Single
- b. Names of societies or organizations with which connected Kappa Sigma Fraternity F. A. A. M.
- c. Legal residence Spangler, Pa.
- d. Education (Names of institutions and courses pursued, with degrees received; whether member of the Bar and if so of what state and the year admitted) A.B. Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa. LL. B. George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C. Member District of Columbia Bar, Admitted 1932.

e. Name, address, and relationship of person to be notified in case of emergoncy J.R. Nicholson, Spangler, Pa. DVSCH OF TWESTERNION 5 1934 ".M. JUL

f. Offices where assignment preferred No preference

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

D.L. Nicholson, Special Agent.

(Title),

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation U.S. Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

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July 9, 1934

Mr. Nathan......
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Chief Clerk
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR
RE: SPECIAL AGENT D. L. NICHOLSON

This Special Agent is doing quite a bit of paper work on the special assignment and is number one man of the St. Paul office. He has good judgment, considered to be above average in fact. He is able to keep his feet on the ground. He is mild mannered and tactful.

I believe this Special Agent is possessed of all qualifications except the necessary vigorousness and force-fulness in handling personnel and it may be that he has these qualities and with an opportunity would bring them out. His mild manner, however, is not indicative of such qualities. He has never, he stated, been assigned to a supervisory position in the Division and it is recommended that when an opportunity presents itself for such an assignment, he be given this consideration.

His handling of paper work, his knowledge of details and files, his devotion and application of duty, his working long hours and the general effectiveness of work assigned to him has been of a high quality.

Respectfully,

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P. 0. Box 515 St. Paul, Minn. July 13, 1934

Director:
Division of Investigation:
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith executed oaths of office to provide for the increase of grade from Caf-9 to grade Caf-10 which became effective July 1, 1934.

This promotion and increase of grade is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson,

Special Agent.

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July 17, 1934

Mr. Keith.

Mr. Edwards

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Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Special Agent D. L. Nicholson

Please be advised that Special Agent D. L. Nicholson has now been assigned to this office since May 18, 1934.

I find Agent Nicholson to have a very good knowledge of the Division's work. He is extremely good in reviewing involved and lengthy files. He is loyal, industrious and voluntarily devotes a great deal of overtime to his work. He also is qualified to conduct investigations on antitrust and bankruptcy matters. This Agent is a good dictator. His facts are usually well martialled and his reports submitted in good form. He is a fair typist and is qualified in the handling of all types of weapons. I believe that he could be well used in the more dangerous type of assignments.

Agent Nicholson has the ability to supervise the work of others and believe that at a later date the Division may desire to observe his handling of one of the supervisory positions. I believe Agent Nicholson's main fault. to be his lack of force. He possesses initiative and fair judgment.

All together, I consider this Agent to be a very satisfactory employee.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge

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with regard to the foregoing liet of Special Agents somwidered manually well qualified in the use of fireways, I desire to submit the following respons for the individual palesticus:

At. Pauls Agent in Charge Ladd recommends Agents J. E. Brennet, E. E. Betesteen, T. G. Helvin, G. J. Gross, R. C. Coulter, T. J. Dudd, G. F. Herley, S. L. Pertenberry, and D. L. Hiebolson. Brennen and Gross are now assigned to St. Letts and McLvin is sesigned to Hew York. I believe that the recommendations of Dodd, Rotesteen, Coulter, Pertenberry and Marley for St. Paul are convect. W. F. Walsh is a nationally known rifle and pistol shot and I believe is qualified. I do not see how Michalson is pressinently qualified for this type of work, although he is a spleadid detail man and could handle the effice and of any work of this kind very well indeed. I have not recommended the latter.

In the event the foregoing recommendations are approved by you, I would suggest the sending of a letter to such effice along the linear of the extended. Jan BCD

August 28, 1934.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

It is with pleasure that I am inclosing herewith the letter of the Acting Attorney General, advising you of your promotion from \$3500 per annum, in Grade Caf-10, to \$3800 per annum, in Grade Caf-11, effective August 16, 1934.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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cc - SAC Ladd, St. Paul

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P. 0. Box 515 St. Paul, Minn. September 1, 1934.

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Director: Division of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice 1001 Vermont Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith executed oaths of office to provide for the increase of grade from Caf-10 to grade Caf-11 which became effective August 16, 1934. This promotion and increase of grade is greatly appreciated.

Yery truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson,

Special Agent.

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I, D. L. NICHOLSON do solemnly
swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and
allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any
mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faith-
fully discharge the duties of the office of
SPECIAL ACENT, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
on which I am about to enter: So help me God.
(Sign here) D. Micholson
Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only) PENNA
day) Date of birth Feb. 20, 1906
of Sept. A. D. 1934,) Whence appointed:
State Penna County Cambria
Congressional District 27 th.
R. W. McELROY, R. W. McELROY, Notary Phys Promission expires July 9, 1941
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Date of entry upon duty August. 16, 1934. Residence Spangler. Pa.
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Room 1403 370 Lexington Avenue New York, N.Y.

October 23, 1934

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the person Special Agent D. L. Nicholson desires to have notified in case of an emergency, etc. is Mr. T. R. Nicholson, his father, who resides at Spangler, Fa.

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F. X. Fay, Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 515, St. Peul, Minnesote.

October 20, 1954.

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Special Agent in Charge, New York City, N. Y.

Bear Sir;

I am transmitting herewith the personnel file and leave of absence eard of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson.

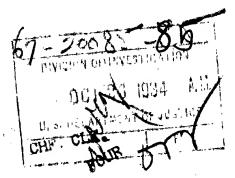
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H. S. Department of Justice Room 1403 370 Lexington Avenue New York, N. Y.

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November 23, 1934.

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Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: SPECIAL AGENT D. L. NICHOLSON Thirty Day Report

Agent Nicholson reported to this office for duty on October 22, 1934, since which time he has been engaged in a supervisory capacity.

This Agent presents a very good appearance, possesses judgment to a good degree, and handles the personnel assigned to his section quite well. He exercises initiative, is industrious and sincere, and the work performed by him since his arrival in this district has been quite satisfactory; in fact, better than that performed by Agents assigned to the same duties for some time past.

Agent Nicholson has capabilities of better than possessed by the average Agent, and with added experience in this district will be a valuable asset to this office.

Very truly yours,

F. X. FAY

Special Agent in Charge

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October 19, 1934.

Director, Division of Investigation U.S.Department of Justice, Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St.N.7. Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

While in St. Paul, Minnesota on October 17, 1934, I discussed with Mr. Ladd the Division's work, with particular reference to the Bremer and Melson cases, and the personnel of the St. Paul office.

Mr. Ladd is well informed on both of these cases. There does not however seem to be much work to be done on either of them at the present time in the St. Paul terrotiry. The search for the hideout which is being made in the Chicago Office territory is however; under the supervision of Mr. Ladd. This arrangement was agreed upon some time ago at a conference in Chicago at which Mr. Clegg, Mr. Tamm and Mr. Ladd and myself were present. The arrangement was made for the purpose of eliminating the duplication of clerical work in the Chicago and St. Paul offices.

Mr. Ladd advised me that Special Agent Wichelson, number one man of the St. Paul office had recently been transferred, and he advised further that Nicholson was more familiar with the minute details of the Brewer case than any other Agent, he having been assigned to it since the beginning. There are of course very few material facts with which it is necessary to be familiar insofar as the evidence is concerned but being familiar with all the names mentioned in the numerous reports is an asset in questioning individuals who may be questioned in this connection in the future, and it ould take considerable time for another Agent to become equally familiar with the file. Mr. Ladd stated however that he was familiar with the case, and my conversation with him indicated that he was, and that undoubtedly another man could do the work Agent Nichelson has been doing, though probably without the same degree of efficiency. I of course am not familiar with the reasons behind the transfer, except that ir. Tamm advised me that Mr. Micholson was to be made number one man at New York City. As a possible

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suggestion I am submitting for your consideration the advisability of canceling Agent Nicholson's transfer to New York, and transferring Special Agent V. W. Peterson of this office. Agent Peterson is an excellent desk man and his services in the Chicago office have been invaluable. However the desk work on the Dillinger case has been reduced considerably by the elimination of subjects Dillinger and Van Meter, and the arrest of Piquett, et al, on charges of harboring in Chicago. There are also a number of men assigned to the Dillinger and Bremer cases whom I believe are capable of taking over the responsibilities now assigned to Agent Peterson, and who I believe should be tried in a supervisory capacity. The Agents I refer to in this connection are Agents H.E. Hollis, S.K. McKee and J. J. Metcalfe.

Mr. Ladd advised that Agents Micholson, Brennan, Moonah, Coulter and Anderson, attached to the St. Paul office are all very good Agents. Agent Moonan however has been assigned for some time looking for the hideout in the Bremer case. Mr. Ladd advised of the desirability of having a number of competent agents in St. Paul for the purpose of conducting raids in the Twin Cities, in that they never call upon the Police of either city for assistance. Accordingly I suggested to Mr. Ladd that he could substitute a less experienced Agent to work on the hideout with Agents McIntire and Melvin, for Agent Noonan, whose services he believed, and I concur, can better be used in St. Paul. Mr. Ladd advised that Agents Duffey and Walsh are not experienced, but, their efforts to date have been quite unsatisfactory, particularly those of Agent Duffey. In. Ladd has the ability to make decisions of his own and exercises good judgment, and impresses me as being a competent Agent in Charge. Mr. Ladd stated that he needed four or five experienced men in the St. Paul territory. He now has seventeen Agents attached to that office, and advises that it takes three Agents to handle the work in the Dakotas; two for Wisconsin; two in Minnesota, and that two are assigned to the hideout, one is doing undercover work, and the balance assigned to work in the Twin Cities. Mr. Ladd indicated that the principal necessity for additional Agents was for the purpose of conducting raids in the Twin Cities. Of course if the work otherwise is being taken care of and is up to date I do not believe the assignment of additional Agents for the purpose of conducting raids only would warrant the assignment of such Agents to the St. Paul office.

Yery truly yours

S. P. COWLEY

JOHN, EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR TDQ:RCL

Division of Investigation

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Washington, B. C.

D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT. ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.

> 91.75% 91.20%

August 3, 1931 Caf 11, \$3800 August 16, 1934

88.5%

90.0% September, 1932.

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Mr. Nathan. Mr. Tolson /

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Special Agent Ladd states that Nicholson has a very good knowledge of the Division's work, is number one man, and in such capacity has handled allof the paper work in connection with the Bremer and Dillinger cases. He is extremely good in reviewing lengthy and involved files and his work in connection with these cases has been very satisfactory. He is loyal, industrious, voluntarily devotes a great deal of overtime and is qualified to handle all types of investigations. His dictation is good, his facts are well marshalled, and Mr. Ladd believes he is suited for the more hazardous types of assignment. He possesses considerable initiative and good judgment. Mr. Ladd believes he could properly handle an office and believes the Division may desire to observe this Agent function in a supervisory capacity.

Mr. Clegg in July submitted a memorandum stating that this agent possessed good judgment, was able to keep his feet on the ground, is well-mannered and tactful. He believes he possessed all the qualifications except the necessary vigorousness and forcefulness in handling personnel and that if he possessed these qualities it may be possible to bring them forth. Mr. Clegg believes the Division should observe him function in a supervisory capacity. This agent was transferred to the New York Office in such a capacity on October 22, 1934. TXRO

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RECOMMENDATION

I recommend no change pending the report of the Special Agent in Charge at New York concerning his ability to handle the position which he now occupies.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

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	a	Date submitte	dSeptember	r 30, 1934	
	, ,	Special Agent (Title)	Caf 11 (Grade)	\$3800.00 (Salary)	:
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NOWLEDGE: Extent of information concerning all duties of his			
position; ability to analyze cases; practical application of			
intelligence and educational training; readiness of comprehension	92	' 7°	644
UDGMENT: Common sense; ability to think clearly and arrive at	,		
logical conclusion; tact	90-	4	360.4
NITIATIVE: Trait of beginning needed work or taking appropriate action on own responsibility in absence of orders	90_	1	90
FORCE: Aggressiveness; faculty of performing work with vigor	***************************************		ENINA OF
and resolution	_90_	1	90
INDUSTRY: Physical activity; application to work; health; energy	95_	1	95
ACCURACY: Attention to details; thoroughness; precision	93	1	23.
PERSONAL APPEARANCE: Impression made on others; personality; neatness	95	1	95
APER WORK: Reporting; marshaling facts; dictating	93_	2	186
amenability to discipline; dependability	93	1	93
EXECUTIVE CAPACITY: Executive ability; leadership; capacity to			
direct, control, and influence others in proper performance of duties	89	11	89

TOTAL (divide by 20) 1835
Rating 91.7

In arriving at the above rating for an employee, consider each of the ten qualifications separately. In the column headed "Grade" give a separate rating between 0 and 100% for each qualification, as explained at the beginning of the sheet under definitions of Inferior, Unsatisfactory, Fair, Good, and Excellent. Then multiply each separate grade given in each separate qualification by the respective number indicated in the column headed "Relative Weight." Extend the figure obtained for each separate qualification into the column headed "Total." Add all the figures in the column headed "Total" and divide this sum by 20 to arrive at the final rating.

REMARKS:

(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

Special Agent Nicholson has a very good knowledge of the Division's work. He is number one man in this office and in such capacity has been handling all of the paper work in connection with the Bremer and Dillinger cases. I have found him to be extremely good in reviewing lengthy and involved files and his handling all the paper work in connection with the above two cases has been very satisfactory. This agent is loyal and industrious and voluntarily devotes a great deal of overtime to his duties. He is qualified to conduct any type of investigation, including bankruptcy and antitrust cases. His dictation is good; his facts usually well marshalled. This agent is a typist and is able to submit rough draft reports in that form. Agent Nicholson is qualified with the degree of marksman in the use of the revolver and all other types of weapons and I believe him to be the type that would be suited for the more hazardous types of assignments. He possesses considerable initiative and good judgment. I believe that this agent could properly handle an office and that the Division may desire, on the completion of the Bremer case in this office, to observe this Agent's work in a supervisory capacity.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this rating? Yes

Rating Officer. D.M.Ladd, Special Agent in Charge.

February 14, 1916.

Fro Do to Micholsono Pederal Barona of Investigation, To Bo Department of Justice, Hean 1403, 370 Lenington Avenue, Hen Yorko Man Yorko

Dear dr. Micheleuse

A hore just reviewed a letter dated February 10 1995 received from the circle agent in Chargo F. Z. Fay obscain be utrised to of the work performed by you in connection with the approbancion of Robert Mais, with allower, folter Logonna, and others, who were recently approbabled at New York City.

Ton, of course, realize that it is always a source of pleasure for me to receive reports of this character concerning Special Agents of the Burens and I, therefore, want to take this occasion to express to you my examinating and expresistion of the part obleh you played in this case.

I realize that cames of this character require camelderable overtime on the part of Special ignate and it is a source of gratification to move that the employees have the interest of the Bureau so much at heapt that they are milling to nake personal secrifices in order that the most algor be execusefully communiced.

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Director, Divisies of Isventication, U. S. Department of Juntice. Fennsylvenia Avenue et 9th Street, No. 10.0 Wechington, D. C.

Boar Sir:

In connection with the investigation involving the approbension of Robort Bais, with clieses, Walter Legense, Marie McMesver with clieses, Cartin Ferrell, and Mavin C. Calo - Midneping, I desire to commend very highly the work performed by the following nemed Special Agents:

D. L. Micholson

M. J. Cossisy

J. D. Heymolds

C. I. Lord

L. P. Maleno J. W. Vincont

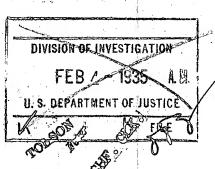
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all of the above masse agents chosfully performed considerable overtime during the period this east under investigation by the New York Office and in exorgencies were found to be eatirely dependeble, courageons and loyel. While a mader of other Agents were also engaged upon this investigation from the to time in conducting inquiries of a routine nature, the foregoing are those who I compider rendered outstanding actvices, and I cannot countrad too highly to you

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Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

At New York Sity on Saturday I conferred with Special Agent in Charge Fay. He advises that Special Agent D. L. Nicholson now serving as #1 supervisor in the New York Wiles, was doing a splendid job; that he was, in addition to being a fine supervisor, a splendid man personally; that his greatest difficulty would probably be in developing a sufficient firmness to handle personnel, but that he is progressing rapidly.

He indicated that Special Agent A. Schroeder, likewise a supervisor, was in part dissatisfied with his assignment in New York, due to the necessity for him to contribute a monthly portion of his salary for the maintenance of his agen mother in Philadelphia, and he had expressed a desire for Philadelphia as his office of preference, and Mr. Fay believes that this would be the proper thing to do, if the Division could afford to transfer him.

Mr. Fay indicated that the reorganization of the New York Office was producing good results, and I personally noticed that there was more orderliness in the performance of the individuals in the file room than has heretofore been the case. Mr. Fay is now engaged in holding weekly conferences with Special Agents in the office which he believes are proving prefitable.

Hs claims that his reply to the Division's letter, based upon the recent inspection of the New York Office, had already been transmitted to the Division.

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Mr. Fay called attention to the possibility that former Assistant United States Attorney Singer, in Brooklyn, was planning, according to rumor, to file application for a writ of habeas corpus to determine the authority for the action of the New York Office in holding some extortionists four or five days before a complaint was filed or process was issued. Mr. Fay said that so far this story has reached him merely as a rumor, and he does not know, in fact, that Attorney Singer is making such plans. He thinks, however, that it might be well for some consideration to be given to a proper defense. It is thought that this problem in the abstract might be submitted to the Claims Division of the Department for advice in the event this situation arises in New York or elsewhere.

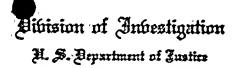
While in New York I made a talk before the Education Council of Columbia University Teachers' College, the assembly numbering about sixty, which met at the home of Professor Thrasher, the Dean of the School of Education. Expressions of appreciation were extended for the Division's cooperation.

Respectfully.

H.H. Clegg.

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am in favor of the adoption of the plan suggested by you for the establishment of a fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, and am forwarding herewith (CHECK - MONEY ORDER - DRAFT) in the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Division, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Division will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Division in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Division shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

It is further understood that I will contribute the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) from time to time, as the need for such a fund may arise.

The following person is hereby designated as my benefit charter.

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Very truly yours,

SPECIAL AGENT.

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February 25, 1935

MAMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: S.A.C. CONFERENCE - 3 MINUTE TALKS BY SPECIAL AGENTS

The following comments are made with reference to a number of the Special Agents attending the conference:

J. A. Kurphy

Subject: "Examination of Judicial Offices"

Murphy had avidently prepared a talk for an hour and had not prepared for the assigned limit of three minutes. His delivery was satisfactory, his discussion was clear, but not properly organized within the time limit.

D. L. Michelson

Subject: "Nee of Photographs in Field Offices"

Micholson's talk was delivered in a fairly satisfactory manner. He is not a finished speaker. His observations were entirely practical.

J. R. Welles

Subject! "Bank Robbery"

This Special Agent was good after getting off to a hd start. He has forcefulness, determination; is a rather new agent in the service. I believe that with a short period of work as a supervisor in the bureau, followed by his designation as a #1 men in Hew York or Chicago, he will develop into a Special Agent in Charge within a surprisingly short period of time.

R. D. Brown

Subjects "Searching for Kidnap Higeouts"

Brown had planned his talk for a period not exceeding three minutes. He quit when his time was up. He handled his talk okay; his general ability as a lecturer is satisfactory.

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Y. Y. Peterson

Subject: "Secrebes and Seisures"

Peterson was one of the best of the new men in the class. He had prepared his discussion and handled himself and his subject with confidence. He did not repeat information which had been given by the regular lecturers but branched out into different fields and his lecture was really helpful.

H. J. Known

Subject: Bank Robbery*

Encen's talk was just about satisfactory. He demonstrated enthusiasm but, frankly, he makes an undesirable personal appearance.

O. C. Dewer

Subject: "Resident Agent Problems"

Demoy spoke with forcefulness and very briefly. He was satisfactory but not outstanding.

E. R. Ransoy

Subject: Witties of a Might Clerk"

Remsey tried hard and succeeded. He had prepared hisself in advance yery carefully. He was good, He was one of the best of the new men in the discussions and appears to be very capable.

H. E. Andersen

Subject: "Lessons from the Kanno Case"

Andersen advanced some good ideas. He is a typical policeman, uses their parlance, using such words as "lab" and "exhib" but is practical and put ever some good observations.

Respectfully,

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H. H. Clegg

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March 13, 1935

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Room 5749, Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

Dear Sire

The grading of the examination taken by you at the conclusion of the recent Special Agents in Charge Conference disclosed that you failed to make a passing grade. The grade made by you is 83%. The Bureau feels that this is unsatisfactory and expects that Special Agents be sufficiently informed concerning the rules and regulations, instructions, and policies of the Bureau to make a passing grade. Of the entire group of Special Agents and Special Agents in Charge present only six made a grade below the passing mark.

It is suggested that you give attention to these sections of the Manual and other notes taken by you during the training school period, with a view to improving your status in connection with the matters discussed during the course of the Special Agents in Charge Conference.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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March 28, 1935.

Mr. Donald L. Nicholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice, 370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403, New York City, New York.

Dear Mr. Nicholsons

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing herewith the letter of the Atterney General, advising you of your promotion from \$380) per annum to \$4000 per annum, in Grade CAF 11, effective March 16, 1935.

Sincerely yours,

J. Idjal Hoove,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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CC BAC FAT Mr. Tolson Mr. Backus. Mr. Baughman ... Chief Clerk Mr. Clegg Mr. Coffey marries Mr. Edwards Mr. Egan Mr. Harbo TILES RECTION Mr. Keith Mr. Lester Mr. Quinn Mr. Schilder, Mr. Smith ROLLETSON IC NO !! 4. G. CERMANN SH STATE Mr. Tamm Mr. Tracy Miss Gandy,

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Merch 16, 1935.

Mr. Denald L. Nieholson, C/o Division of Investigation, Department of Justice.

Dear Sir:

Your salary as a Special agent in the Division of Investigation is hereby increased from \$5000 per annum to \$4000 per annum in Grade Caf 11, effective March 16, 1935, and psyable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation."

Respectfully,

/s/ Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General.

By the Attorney General.

(Signed) William Stanley Assistant to the Attorney General.

HIC: BY

March 26, 1935.

MENORANDUM FOR MR. TOLEON

Ro: Written Examination RE-TRAINING CLASS Feb. 25 - March 28, 1936

The following is a list of the grades made by the Special Agents and Special Agents in Charge attending a recont re-training class:

P. M. Broed	89	J. M. O'Leary	94
D. L. Nicholson	99	L. M. Chipmen	95
D. O. Smith	.98	N. B. Klein	:93
F. B. Wright	-98	R. L. Shivers	. 82
H. H. Reinsoko	97	C. E. Smith	93
Lich Whitson	87	C. D. MoKean	92
W. J. Devereux	98	D. W. Magoo	92
C. J. Endres	98	B. P. Cruise	91
Chapton Flotcher	96	J. P. MacFarland	91
E. J. Gebban	98	F. A. Grimedoll	89
E. J. Rosa	.CS	A. Schroeder	89
C. K. Fiorstone	96	C. A. Whitten	89
R. E. Peterson	95	F. X. Fay	88
E. N. Hotzstean	26	S. K. Mones	88 -
3. Sandborg	95	H. A. Snow	88

Very truly yours,

R. H. Clogg.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JSUTICE Washington, D. C.

March 8, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. F. X. Fay recommends the following increases in the New York Office, in which I concur:

Special Agent D. L. Nicholson from Grade Caf 11, \$3,800 to Grade Caf 11, \$4,000. Last increase August 16, 1934.

Special Agent John A. Smith, Jr., from Grade Caf 8, \$2,900, to Grade Caf 8, \$3,000.

Special Agent John W. Vincent from Grade Caf 8, \$2,100, to Grade Caf 9, \$3,200. Last increase August 16, 1934.

Special Agent R. J. Smeskal from Grade Caf 8, \$2,900, to Grade Caf 8, \$3,000.

Miss Phyllis Berger from Grade Caf 3, \$1,800 to Grade Caf 3, \$1,920. Last increase January 16, 1935.

Mr. Harold G. Crary from Grade Caf 2, \$1,440, to Grade Caf 2, \$1,500. Last increase February 1, 1935.

Miss Ruth I. Duay from Grade Caf 3, \$1,680, to Grade Caf 3, \$1,740. Last increase July 16, 1934.

Mrs. Minnette L. Gormise from Grade Caf 3, \$1,800 to Grade Caf 3, \$1,860. Last increase May-1, 1933. 12-16-32

Mrs. Rose Boch from Grade Caf 3, \$1,680, to Grade Caf 3, \$1,740. Last increase January 16, 1935.

Mrs. Constance V. Mathus from Grade Caf 3, \$1,620, to Grade Caf 3, \$1,680. Last increase September 16, 1931.

Respectfully,

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February 26, 1935

MEMORANDOM FOR MR. TOLSOM

RE: WRITTEN EXAMINATION OF THOSE ATTENDING SAC CONFERENCE FEBRUARI 18 to 24, 1935

As a whole the examination papers were very poor. The papers have been graded on a basis of 55% or better as a passing grade, with any grade below that percentage considered a failure. The majority of the Special Agents in Charge are apparently badly in need of an intensive course in fingerprint instruction.

The exemination grades are as fellows:

A.	B. Nathen	99	D. Brantley	921
X.	J. Knoon	98	D. H. Lade	92
	I. Tay	98	C. C. Spears	92
	D. Kellean	97	J. A. Dond	97
	J. Commalley	97	E. Whitley	91,
	A. Burphy	97	J. P. MasFarland	707
	H. Reinseks		A * * MERCELLANIC	90
		97	A. H. Dickson	90
	W. Stapleton	702	E. L. Conroy	89
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	To Johanson	96	J. H. Hanson	89
J.	R. Welles	96 96 96 96	W. Hanni	87
R.	A. Alt	95}	R. G. Herrey	88
K.	I. Anderson	956	D. W. Marse	88
	R. Ransey	954	A. H. Colvin	#6
	P. Quiname	95	O. C. Deway	85
	A. Rorer	95	J. E. P. Dunn	9
	C. Newman		1	84
		943	D. L. Richelson	83
	S. Vetterli	**	R. D. Braun	82
	J. Blake	773	Q. T. Jones	81
C4	L. Fierstens	934	K. H. Purvia	81
			M. Larson	76

Yory truly yours,

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H. H. Clegg.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

Division of Investigation

H. S. Pepartment of Instice Washington, P. C.

HHC:IJ March 25, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: D. L. Nicholson, Special Agent.

Entered on duty August 3, 1931. Salary \$3800. Offic preference -- none.

Agent Nicholson attended the Special Agents in Charge conference in February, 1935, and subsequently attended the four weeks re-training class. On the written examination afforded Special Agents in Charge, he made a grade of 83%. On the re-training class examination, he made a grade of 99%; revolver score 71%.

I have personally participated in raids with Agent Nicholson, and he is fearless, determined, and yet level headed. He is able to keep his feet on the ground, and is possessed of good judgment. At St. Paul, he was assigned to handle all the administrative and clerical details of the files and organization of information in the Dillinger and Bremer cases, and he handled this work in a most commendable manner. He, I believe, demonstrated in this instance his ability to handle the mechanics of field office administration. He at that time appeared to be lacking in the necessary vigor and forcefulness in handling personnel. Since that time, he has been assigned to the New York Office as the Number One Supervisor. Uniformly favorable reports have been made orally to me by Special Agent in Charge Fay and Acting Special Agent in Charge Whitley concerning Nicholson's work both in handling personnel and in handling the supervisory details. Both Special Agent in Charge Fay and Acting Special Agent in Charge Whitley believe that Nicholson can operate an office as Special Agent in Charge. Every Special Agent in Charge attending the recent retraining class commented favorably upon Nicholson, and expressed the opinion that he might be qualified as a Special Agent in Charge.

He is possessed of a pleasing personality; is a good mixer, gets along well with the men assigned under him and with whom he is called upon to work. He has qualities of leadership, and I believe that he is qualified now for the position of Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Nathan

Mr. Backus.....

Mr. Baughman .

Mr. Edwards

Miss Gandy...

Memo. for Mr. Tolson

I am personally of the belief, due to my various conversations with him, that he is entirely loyal both to the Bureau and to the Director.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Clegg.

Division of Investigation U.S. Department of Instice New York, N. Y. April 3, 1935

PERBONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
9th. and Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter dated March 28, 1935 in which you enclosed the letter from the Attorney General, advising me of a promotion from \$3800 per annum to \$4000 per annum; in grade CAF 11. I desire to inform you that this promotion is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson, Special Agent.

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April 2, 1935.

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Bet Special Agents in Charge and Special Agents Exelified in Fingerwint Work.

Hr. Cherge has called my attention to the names of certain Special Agents in Charge and Special Agents and has made inquiry whether the said employees should be considered as qualified in fingerprinting work. I desire to inform you, therefore, that Special Agents in Charge D. Brantley and E. P. Geiname should be considered as no qualified. Further, Special Agents J. V. Anderson, E. H. Motesteen, E. Sandberg, M. J. Mapon, C. K. Flérstone, N. H. Klein and H. H. Noinecke, who recently were given the retraining work here, should be listed as qualified.

Pinally, Special Agent in Charge J. M. Keith took a series of night lectures given in fingerprint work here a few months ago and made excellent progress. It is noted that he is listed on the present retraining school.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

A. S. Department of Justice Washington, B. C.

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February 20, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson Mr. Backus..... Mr. Baughman ... Chief Clerk Mr. Clegg..... Mr. Coffey Mr. Édwards Mr. Egan Mr. Harbo Mr. Kelth Mr. Lester Mr. Quinn Mr. Schilder..... Mr. Smith-Mr. Tamm. Mr. Tracy Miss Gandy + 5×414 7+4--F*92-44 +--446

Mr. Nathan.

From observations made during the course of the Special Agents in Charge conference up-to-date, it appears that the following are among the outstanding men who are not Agents in Charge in attendance:

- D. L. Micholson
- R. D. Brown
- V. W Peterson H. E. Andersen

In the performance of lecturing the following have been outstanding:

- W. A. Smith
 R. E. Joseph
 P. E. Joxworth
 W. R. Glavin

Respectfully,

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Washington, B. C.

April 2, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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Mr. Nathan Mr. Tolson

Mr. Backus.

Mr. Baughman ...

Chief Clerk

Mr. Smith

The following suggestions and comments were offered by Special Agents who attended the recent re-training class which terminated on March 23, 1935, with regard to the course of training offered:

Special Agent D. L. Nicholson suggested more Open Forums. During the class attended by Agent Nicholson, everyone as called upon specifically to announce any subject ratters they desired to discuss, and they all exhausted their reportoire of questions.

Special Agent C. E. Smith recommended more time at Quantico. This is being done.

Special Agents C. A. Whitten and N. B. Klein recommended that questions be reserved until after the lecture is delivered. This has been discussed heretofore, and I recommend that questions be permitted at any time during the lecture.

Special Agent D. O. Smith recommended that after the second week of the re-training period, those in the rear of the room be permitted to move to the front and exchange places with those in the earlier part of the alphabet. This appears to be without value, unless someone is not talking loud enough and instructions have been issued to all instructors that both the questions and the lectures must be sufficiently loud and clear so that all might understand.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

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The following recommendations are submitted for your considerations

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April 25, 1935.

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Mr. D. L. Micholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Fost Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Micholsons

It is requested that you forward three up-to-date photographs for inclusion in the personnel records at the Washington Headquarters of the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edger Hoover, Director.

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April 12, 1935.

fire J. Right Roover, Pederal Sursan of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Pennsylvania Avenue at Sth Street, N. V., Sashington, S. C.

Dear Mr. Moovers

I desire to advice an descring the administrative experimetion under which the New York Off is functioning at the present time.

Ponding wal of Mr. Homson from the Biminghom Office, Agent D. L. Nicholson may, I was separate Months, has been on of the supervisors in this action and who, during my absumes, has performed the duties of Assistant Special agent in Charge, will handle the work of the Assistant.

Pending the arrival of special agent (A) T. He Malberin, Special Agent (A) A. V. Trichak is acting as supervisor of section charge in charge of a secunting work. Agent Trichak has had considerable experience as supervisor of this work during the past several rouths while Agent (A) Fiergons was shoont from the New York Office. In accordance with instructions contained in Emress letter dated April 5, 1985, Agent Mulherin will be placed in charge of the accounting work on his arrival in New York.

Special agent T. J. Bonegan is performing supervisory duties for section one, handling kidnaping, extertion, back rebbery, and other elassifications of work. This agent has had considerable experience during the past few months as supervisor of this work, is thoroughly familiar mith his duties, and performs then in a satisfactory manner.

Special Agent 1. N. Breed is acting as Supervisor of section two, duriling bank-ruptey, antitrust, and other classifications one of work. Agent Breed has had considerable experience in consection with the various types of offences handled by section two and has also had some experience as a supervisor of that section.

I had originally planned to savign either Special Agent J. S. Vincent or Agent H. T. Dolan to the supervisors datics of section two. However, both of these agents will be absent from New York for the next several weeks for training surposes in Smahington, and agent Breed will handle the work of that section.

Upon the arrival of Mr. Hamson from Dirminghem to take over the duties of Assistant Agent in Charge, Agent Histoleon will be assigned to Section one, and Agent Domegun will be made supervisor of section two, replacing Agent Bread.

Very truly yours,

de TELEY Special Agent in Charge

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April 4, 1935.

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Will you please see that the necessary orders are issued, effecting the following changes:

Special agent in Charge R. B. Hatlan to be transferred from Kansas City to Birmingham, Alabama.

Special Agent W. L. Listerson to be transferred from Mashington, D. C. to the position of Acting Special Agent in Charge at Buffalo.

Special agent in Charge Purvis to be transferred from Chicago to Charlotte.

Special agent in Charge Dann to be transferred from Los angeles to Chicago.

Sp cial agent D. L. Richelson to be transferred from New York to Detroit as leting Special Ligart in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge Course to be transferred from Little Rock, Arkenses, to Kanses City.

Special igent Shivers to be transferred from St. Louis, Missouri to Mattle Back, Arkenses as Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge C. C. Spours to be tremsferred from Portland, Oregon to Los angeles, California,

Special agent W. A. Smith to be transferred from Eachington, D. C. to Maghville on Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Openial Agent B. Whitley, of New York, to be designated as Special Agent in Charge of the New York Office.

Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson to be treasferred from Birmingham to New York on Assistant Special Agent in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge Doud to be transferred from Salt Lake City to Chaha.

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Special Agent Pierstone to be transferred from New York to Pittsburgh as acting Special Agent in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge Korer to be transferred from Mashville to Portland.

Special Agont in Charge Largon to be transferred from Detroit to Selt Lake City.

Special Agree B. E. Andersen to be transferred from Kennes City to St. Paul ad Acting Special Agent in Chargo.

Special Agost in Charge MacParland to be Oreneferred from Buffelo to Claveland.

Special Agent in Chargo Stepleton to be transferred from Charlotte to Transfer.

Special agent in Charge Chapman Flatcher to be transferred from Cincinneti to Phoenicks Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge Hemmi to be transformed from Omeha to Sionn Pells, South Debots.

Special Agest G. S. Lordon to be transferred from Vashington to Atlanta as Acting Special Agent in Cherge.

Special agent in Charge Laid to be branckerred from St. Paul to Washington for special assignment.

Special Agent in Charge Extern at Pitteburgh to be reduced to the position of Special Agent and assigned to Kennes City.

The suggested list of No. One Nos as submitted by Nr. Clegs, Nr. Egen and you is approved.

The proposed territorial set-up of the new effices as recommended by the Committee is also approved.

I would like to have all of these changes just into force and effect as the earliest possible moment.

In connection with the opening of the new offices, I believe it would be desirable to have Mr. Her proceed immediately to Cleveland, Trenton, Atlanta

Sions falls and Fracais, in order to object the space and make the necessary arrangements for the opening of the offices.

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John Mighe Hoover, Mirenture

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Washington, D. C.

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Jamuary 22, 1935.

MEMORANDOM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I have discussed the matter of possible assignments of field supervisory personnel in connection with the recommendations subsitted to you in my memorandum of January 16th, which is returned herewith, containing the suggestions of the Executives' Committee that additional field offices be established.

The following personnel assignments are recommended by Mr. Egen, Mr. Clogg, Mr. Tana, Mr. Quinn, and the oritors

- 1. J. H. HANSON to be designed agent in Charge at Cleveland.
- 2. J. J. WaTERS to be designated agent in Charge at Birangham. Mr. Tamm objects to the assignment of Mr. Nature as Agent in Charge of any office, but did not desire to express his reasons for the recommendation to the Committee.
- 3. C. W. STELE, now useigned to the Washington Field Office, to be designed as Acting Agent in Charge at Fittsburgh.
- 4. MMA WHITLEY to be designated Special Agent in Charge of the office to be spend at Trenton, New Jersey.
- 5. T. M. STAPLETON to be designated Assistant Special Agent in Charge at New York City.
- 6. D. L. MICHOLSON, now at New York City, to be designated Acting Acting in Charge at Charlotte, North Carolina.
- 7. R. L. SHIVERS, now at St. Louis, to be designated Humber Two Man at New York City, vice A. S. Schroeder.
 - 8. A. S. SCHROEDER to be design ted as Humber One Man at Philade phis.
- 9. O. C. DENKE to b designated Acting Agent in Charge at Phoeniz, Arizona.
 - 10. WERNER HANNI to be design ted Agent in Charge at Aberdeen, S. D.
- 11. V. W. PETRISON, now at Chicago, to be designated acting Agent in Charge at Milwaukee.

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12. H. H. REINEGEE to be designated Agent in Charge at Omeha.

13. A. D. DERM, now at Chicago, to be designated Acting Stant in Charge at Indianapolis.

14. C. K. FilhSTORE, Special Agent (A) Now at New York city as Rusber Throc Man, to be designated Acting Agent in Charge at Louisville, Antucky.

15. T. A. MUNERIN, Special Agent (A) to be designated Number Three Man at New York City, vice Mr. Figrations.

16. SILLIAN ALEXON to be Agent in Charge at Atlanta, Georgia.

17. I. DOND to be Agent in Charge at Detroit.

is. L. L. Bullish, now Sumber One Man of Philadelphia, to be designated Sumber One Man at Rachington, D. C.

19. E. P. GULHAMS to be designated Assistant Special Agent in Charge at Chicago

Agent in Charge at Salt wake City.

21. J. P. McCallin, now Mumber Two Man of Chicago, to be designeted Mumber Ope Min at Denver.

22. R. E. SATH, Special Agent, now at Sambington Field Office, to be designated Number Two Man at Chicago.

33. IL & MINISTEN to be designated acting Agent in Charge at

24. V. G. MANTA, now Number One Man at Chiego, to be transferred to Oneha as Number One Man.

This memorandum supplements by memorandum of January 14, 1935.

In the event you approve the foregoing remandations, it is believed that the following officials should proceed to their new posts of duty by may of Machington so that their new assignments may be discussed with them

J. H. Ringon

A. L. Endvers

O. C. Dewey

C. A. Pierotano

H. J. Engen

D. L. Nicholson

V. W. Peterson

R. D. Brown

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H. R. Andersen

Respectfully.

May 4, 1935.

Mr. J. L. Micholson,

Federal Bureau of Investigation,

U.S. Department of Justice,

Fost Office Box 2118,

Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Micholson:

Leish to inform you that arrangements have been made at the Seat of Government to select certain of the Special Agents in Charge located throughout the country to interview and examine applicants for the position of Special Agent in this service. It is my desire that henceforth you interview applicants pending at Detroit, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis. Examination papers for the positions of Special Agent and Special Agent (A) will be forwarded to you as well as interview sheets.

You will note that applicants feet the resition of Special Agent are allowed two hours in which to consider their examinations whereas applicants for accounting positions are allowed four hours. Accountants should be Paroi and attachia sheets of eleven-column accounting paper and approximately ten sheets of roll paper whereas Special Gent applicants may write their answers on regular examination paper. Their pan or pencil may be used by the applicants. Each applicant combine be interviewed separately in order that you sight explain to his fully the functions and morkings of the Bureau, the method of selecting applicants and the training to be accorded him. It should be clearly understood by the applicants that there are no vacancies existing in the Bureau at this time, but that I am endeavoring to prepare an eligible list so that appointments may be made without delay when authorized. It is no Longer necessary for applicants who you believe will develop into better than average employees to take the dictation test or to conduct a supposititious inter

for the positions of Special Agent and Special Agent D(A) in the of the Special Agent and Special Agent D(A) in the of the Special Agent D(A) in the of the Special Bureau have been changed and hereafter persons for appointment to 1935 . M. such positions must be between 25 and 35 years of age, grantes 1935 . M. of law or accounting schools or persons with extensive investigative.

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or law enforcement experience. Such persons must have had at least two years of practical commercial experience such as experience in the legal, accounting, or business field. A system is being devised at the Seat of Government so that at periodic intervals you will be furnished with a list of applicants pending in the various field offices assigned to you for interview and examination. I believe it would be desirable for you to periodically render reports of those so interviewed and examined in order that there will be no duplication in the records at the Seat of Government.

Should you desire to recommend favorably concerning an applicant, information in this regard should be submitted telegraphically to the Burenu in order that a character investigation may be instituted without delay. The examination papers will be graded by an official at the Seat of Government.

In requesting applicants to report for interview and examination, they should be informed in all cases that any travel expenses must be borne by them and that their being asked to report for these examinations in order to complete their applications does not mean that they should accept any encouragement as to the possibility of employment in the Bureau. All applicants interviewed should be advised that they only positions available in the Bureau are those to fill vacancies which occur and that very few appointments are made during the course of the year. Under no circumstances should they be offered any encouragement as to the possibility of favorable action being taken on their applications.

In the event an applicant inquires as to whether he will learn the result of the examination, he should be advised that in those cases wherein the applicant qualifies in the various tests, an exhaustive character and fitness investigation is conducted by the Bureau, but that the applicant is not formally advised as to whether he secured satisfactory ratings in the examinations as the applications of all persons, even though they do not pass the examinations, are kept on file and will be considered in the event it may be possible to utilize their services at any time in the future. It is not believed that you should make a road trip for the purpose of holding these examinations at Detroit, Cleveland, Cincinnati, or Indianapolis unless you have at least six applicants pending in any one district.

I know you will give this matter your careful attention in order that this arrangement might work out successfully and should you encounter any difficulty in the holding of these examinations, do not hemitate to communicate with the Bureau immediately. After you have held several such examinations, I should be pleased to receive any suggestions which might further improve this plan.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Federal Bureau of Investigation unb

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, B. C.

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May 1, 1935.

D. L. NICHOLSON - SPECIAL AGENT, New York Office.

Efficiency rating

94%

3-31-35

Previous efficiency rating 91.75%

Entered on duty

August 3, 1931

Salary

Caf 11, \$4000

Last salary change

March 16, 1935

Previous test ratings: Rules and Regulations

88.5%

Instructions

90%

September, 1932

Accounting Course Bankruptcy

Dropped Qualified

Marksmanship Wire Tapping

Expert

No

REMARKS

Mr. Fay states that this employee as Number One man for the New York office has performed very satisfactory work; that he presents a good appearance, possesses a very good personality, has a very good knowledge of the administrative policies of the Bureau, uses excellent judgment, has an abundance of initiative, force and aggressiveness, is industrious and assumes a splendid attitude toward his work. He feels that Nicholson is qualified to operate a small office and states he is quite capable of handling cases involving raids and similar operations.

In February, 1935, Inspector Clegg reported that this agent was the most outstanding of the Special Agents attending the Special Agents in Charge conference. Mr. Clegg also reported on March 25, 1935, that he has participated in raids with Agent Nicholson and he is fairly determined and level-headed; that he is possessed of good judgment, has a pleasing personality, gets along well with men assigned under him and has qualities of leadership.

On March 13, 1935, this agent was written concerning to secure a passing grade in the examination given at the conclusion of the ION Agents in Charge conference. MAY 14 1935

Mr. Nicholson was commended by Bureau letter dated February for his work in the Robert Mais case.

RECOMMENDATION

This Agent is Acting Special Agent in Charge at Deti

Clyde Tolson.

no salary change at this time

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EFFICIENCY RATING SHEET

,	E	Office submitting New York, N.Y.			
	a I	Date submitte	d March 31,	1935	
Name of employee	D. L. Nicholson	Special Agent	Caf-11	\$4000:00	
		(Title) ered on duty this of			
employee with all INFERIOR (0-59%) UNSATISFACTORY (60 FAIR (75-84%) GOOD (85-92%) EXCELLENT (93-100%) To what degree	Lothers in the same EXCEPTIONAL LACKING in Duty NOT perform UP TO STANK	ions, keep them in many properties of the end of the en	ntire service: of duty; EXCEP dered. SHOULD BE EXPEC standard. NOT OUTSTANDING MANNER; qualif TISFACTORY. IENT MANNER; qu fications? Con	TIONALLY ETED: not ications alified	

	GRADE	RELATIVE WEIGHT	TOTAL
KNOWLEDGE: Extent of information concerning all duties of his position; ability to analyze cases; practical application of intelligence and educational training; readiness of comprehension	95	7	_665
JUDGMENT: Common sense; ability to think clearly and arrive at logical conclusion; tact INITIATIVE: Trait of beginning needed work or taking appropriate	94	4	376
action on own responsibility in absence of orders FORCE: Aggressiveness; faculty of performing work with vigor and resolution	92 <u> </u>	1	98
INDUSTRY: Physical activity; application to work; health; energy ACCURACY: Attention to details; thoroughness; precision PERSONAL APPEARANCE: Impression made on others; personality; neatness	94 94 94	1 1 1	94
PAPER WORK: Reporting; marshaling facts; dictating ATTITUDE TOWARD WORK: Attention to duty; loyalty to the service; amenability to discipline; dependability	90	2	180
EXECUTIVE CAPACITY: Executive ability; leadership; capacity to direct, control, and influence others in proper performance of duties	maque 4 6 5	1	90_

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TOTAL (divide by 20) 1880

Rating 94.

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In arriving at the above rating for an employee, consider each of the ten qualifications separately. In the column headed "Grade" give a separate rating between 0 and 100% for each qualification, as explained at the beginning of the sheet under definitions of Inferior, Unsatisfactory, Fair, Good, and Excellent. Then multiply each separate grade given in each separate qualification by the respective number indicated in the column headed "Relative Weight." Extend the figure obtained for each separate qualification into the column headed "Total." Add all the figures in the column headed "Total" and divide this sum by 20 to arrive at the final rating.

REMARKS:

(Under this heading shall be set forth a digest of criticisms and conditions of significance which will reflect deficiencies, meritorious features, and special qualifications or disqualifications.)

Since October 22, 1934, Agent Nicholson has functioned in a supervisory capacity, assuming the duties of Number One man of this office. He presents a good appearance and possesses a very good personality. He has a very good knowledge of the administrative policies of the Bureau, uses excellent judgment, has an abundance of initiative, force and aggressiveness, is industrious, and assumes a splendid attitude towards his work. He has handled the personnel in his unit in a very satisfactory manner, and on occasions I have operated with him in the field and found him to be entirely dependable, courageous and loyal. He is entirely amenable to criticisms and suggestions and ever willing to improve the services rendered by him. I believe this Agent is the outstanding supervisor of those recently attached to this office, and he should experience no difficulty in operating a smaller office.

He is qualified in the use of all types of firearms and is quite capable of handling assignments involving raids and smilar operations.

If deficiencies or disqualifications have been noted under "Remarks," have you brought them to the attention of the employee prior to the rendition of this rating?

Rating Officer.

May 14, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Pederal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Pest Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Beer Mr. Michalson:-

Please refer to the Bureauts letter to you of April 25th and forward to the Mashington headquarters immediately three up-to-date photographs for inclusion in the personnel records.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF PISTICE

DIRECTOR OF PISTICE

Post Office Box Blis Detroit, Michigan. May 13, 1936

Director, Pederal Bureau of Investigation. U. S. Department of Justice. Pennsylvania Avenue & 9th St., N. ... Washington - D. C.

Dear Gir:

Several days ago upon the invitation of Chief. of Detectives Fred W. Frahm of the Detroit Pelice Depart- 3 " ment, I attended a lumcheon and meeting of the Southeastern Michigan Association of Chiefs of Poline which was held at the Granwood Hotel in Highland Park.

During this luncheon there were present approximately 65 wheriffs and chiefs of police from the immediate vicinity, all of whom I met and had occasion to converse informally with the mejority of them.

At this meeting my name was proposed as a member of this association and I am now in receipt of information to the effect that my name has been entered on the rolls of the association as an active member.

Very truly yours,

DLN:JJK

D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge

ES: SLH 62-35333-4 May 27, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Hicholson, Pederal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

There is attached hereto a copy of a letter dated May 21, 1935, which I have received from Mr. Harry Brinkmann, Secretary-Treasurer, Traverse City Kiwanis Club, Traverse City, Michigan, together with a copy of my reply to him today.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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TRAVERSE CITY KIWANIS CLUB TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN

May 21, 1935.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sire

On behalf of the Traverse City Kiwanis Club, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you kindly for your co-operating in delegating D. L. Nicholson to speak before our club on Monday last.

Mr. Nicholson's talk was very interesting and it was immensely enjoyed by every person present.

Respectfully,

TRAVERSE CITY KIWANIS CLUB

BY /s/ Harry Brinkmann

Secretary.

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May 28, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Pederal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:-

Under date of April 25th and May 14th the
Bureau instructed that you submit to the Washington headquarters
three up-to-date photographs for inclusion in the personnel records.
To date these instructions have not complied with and you are again
instructed to forward these photographs to the Bureau ismediately.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director. -- 102

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Division of Investigation

H. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118 Detroit - Michigan May 31, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 28, 1935 requesting that I furnish the Bureau three up-to-date photographs for inclusion in the personnel records.

Please be advised that these photographs are presently being prepared by a local photographer and will be forwarded to the Bureau immediately upon being completed.

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

DLN: AM

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June 1, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sirs

It is desired that you immediately discontinue the examination of Special Agent and Special Agent (A) applicants in the field office districts assigned to you until further notice from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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Division of Investigation

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P. O. Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
June 8, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with recent Bureau instructions there are transmitted herewith three recent photographs of myself for completion of the Bureau's personnel records.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Bex 2118 Detroit - Michigan June 10, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington - D. C.

Dear Sir:

Confirming and supplementing my telegram of June 9th, 1936, this is to advise that my permanent address and telephone number, Detroit, Michigan, have been changed to the following:

885 East Grand Boulevard, Phone: Ivanhoe 5967

Yery truly yours,

DLN:JJK cc-All Bureau offices D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 2118 Detroit, Michigan June 11, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Section #35 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, this is to advise of the following changes in my personnel status:

Marital Status:

Married .

Person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs. D. L. Nicholson, 885 East Grand Blvd., Telephone Ivanhoe 5967

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

DLN:bas

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Division of Investigation

N.S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 2118 Detroit - Michigan June 27, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with Section 35 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, the following personnel status report is being submitted:

- (a) Married
- (b) Kappa Sigma Fraternity F.A.A.M.
- (c) Spangler, Pennsylvania
- (d) Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania,
 A.B. 1928
 George Washington University Law School,
 Washington, D. C., L.L.B. 1931
 Member of District of Columbia Bar admitted
 December, 1932
- (e) Mrs. D. L. Nicholson (wife) 885 E. Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan, Telephone Ivanhoe 5967
- (f) None
- (g) No preference

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

DLN: bas

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

Federal Aureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Instice Washington, P. C.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund and who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, I am forwarding herewith (CHECK - MONEY ORDER - CASH) in the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Address 70 w. Euclid and Detunit, Much Personal Section of the Sectio



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Donald L. Wichofner

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2116, Detroit, Michigan,

Personal and Confidential

Dear Sire

I have received the application for annual leave submitted by you under date of June 21, 1995, for leave from 9 a.m., July 15, to 1 p.m., July 27, 1935.

Frankly, I am somewhat surprised to receive this application for annual leave from you, in view of the fact that you have just been placed in charge of a field office which has been expended recently to include new territory.

The seems to me that it is highly undesirable for you to take annual leave so soon after taking charge of the Detreit Office. Of course, if there is any necessity for this leave of which I am not aware, such as ill-health or other personal reasons, the Bureau will be pleased to reconsider your application. However, unless such reason exists, you are advised that it will not be pessible to approve your application.

Yery truly yours,

John Edgar Hoaver,
Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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August 2, 1935

Attorney
WARD C. CULVER
Detroit

MICHIGAN SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION RICHLAND, MICHIGAN

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St. Johns

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Department of Justice Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you very kindly, both for myself andon behalf of the Michigan Sheriffs Association, for your cooperation with us in assigning Mr. Harold/Nathan, your assistant director, to be a speaker at our banquet; also for sending Mr. D. L. Nicholson to attend our entire Convention.

Mr. Nathan's speech was a very fine effort and impressed our members very favorably.

All of us fell in love with Mr. Nicholson. He is certainly a very high type of man and I think his presence at our Convention will assure the complete cooperation of the Sheriffs of Michigan with your Department.

I received the autographed photograph of yourself, together with a copy of the address delivered by you at the Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, both of which will appear in our Annual Convention Issue, copy of which will be mailed to you in due time.

Again expressing my appreciation of your fine cooperation, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

PECCEPED Yery sincerely yours,

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1935 -{Signed}

Secretary
Michigan Sheriffs Association

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E5:LC 62=27237 August 10, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 2118,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Nicholson; -

I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter dated August 2, 1935, which I recieved from Mr. Jerome S. Borden, Secretary of the Michigan Sheriffs Association, Richard, Michigan, together with a copy of my reply dated today.

I thought you would be interested in reading Mr. Bonden's comments concerning your attendance at the convention of the Michigan Sheriffs Association. I was pleased to learn of Mr. Borden's high regard for you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Encl. #586089

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U.S. Bepartment of Instice

CT: MAM

Washington, B. C.

August 15, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: D. L. Nicholson - Special Agent in Charge, Detroit Office

Entered on Duty Last Promotion

August 3, 1931 March 16, 1935, to Caf-11, \$4000 per annun

Mr. Nicholson was designated on April 29, 1935, as Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit Office. He appears to have been administering the affairs of that office in a satisfactory manner. However, it is noted that recently he applied for an extended leave of absence, despite the fact that he was just recently placed in charge of the Detroit Office.

RECOMMENDATION

I do not believe that any change should be made in Mr. Nicholson's case in connection with the review of salaries of field personnel.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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Post Office Box 2118 Detroit, Michigan August 24, 1985

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvenia Avenue at 9th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Deer Sir:

Confirming and supplementing my telegrem of August 25, 1955, this is to advise that my residence and telephone number at Detroit, Michigan, have been changed to the following:

70 West Buelld Avenue Detroit, Michigan Telephone - Trinity 2-3875

Yery truly yours,

DIN: PA ce - All Field Offices D. L. Nichelson Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

Rederal Bureau of Investigation

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CT: MAM

Washington, D. C.

September 12, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I talked with Mr. Nicholson of the Detroit Office this morning concerning the attached report submitted to you on September 4th by Supervisor Foxworth, relative to the Detroit Office. The various ratters covered in Mr. Foxworth's memorandum are referred to below.

1. At the present time there is a large room at the office utilized for reception purposes and also as a stenographers' room and file room. There are no railings or partitions in the office, and visitors would have access to the agents' daily register; the teletype machine; the office bulletin board, upon which Mr. Nicholson has placed a complete list of the personnel of the Detroit Office, with home addresses and telephone numbers, and also the incoming telephone apparatus.

Mr. Nicholson states that he has not requested the partitioning of this room, and has not requested the Bureau to approve any other arrangement at the office. I told him that this was a matter which should have received his attention, and I instructed him to make the change suggested by Mr. Foxworth to the effect that the present conference room at the office be utilized as a reception office, with a clerical employee assigned to the office in which to perform stenographic or clerical work.

There is no doubt that Mr. Nicholson is at fault in the manner in which this room was maintained. He admitted to me that visitors could have access to the personnel records referred to and that of course the employees used the telephone and teletype machine in the presence of visitors, which situation is obviously unsatisfactory.

2. Mr. Foxworth reported that the walls of the Detroit Office presented a very soiled and untidy appearance. Mr. Nicholson admits that this is true, and states he has talked with the custodian on many occasions

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concerning the repainting of the walls. The custodian advised him that this repainting would have to wait until the walls had dried out, but the contract has now been let, and the work will be done in the near future.

Mr. Nicholson admits that there were many dirty spots on the walls of the reception room, and says this is true of the entire building. With respect to the water which has splashed on the walls near the wash basins in the various offices, Mr. Nicholson states this is kept clean by the raids at night, but that he does not feel that any of the employees are particularly negligent in this regard, although I called his attention to the fact that a matter of this kind should be taken care of by him rather than to leave it to the janitor service to handle as a routine thing.

3. Mr. Foxworth reported that the agents' desks and other desks in the office were dusty and dirty; that an old desk near the detention room was being used as a storage place for various firearm cleaning supplies and dirty cloths, and that the bookcases presented a very disorderly and untidy appearance.

Mr. Nicholson states that he regularly inspects the various desks and cases in the office, and while he felt the agents' desks were in a proper condition, he would have to admit that the other criticisms were properly taken. Mr. Nicholson was told that he should use a cabinet for storing old cloths, and that directories on bookcases and material in bookcases should be neatly arranged in order that the office might present a proper appearance.

4. Mr. Foxworth reported that the hallway between two of the offices, which hallway is used by the public, presented a poor appearance, and that two brooms were propped against the wall.

Mr. Nicholson states the hallway is kept quite clean, and he does not know that brooms at any time were kept in the hallway.

5. Mr. Foxworth reported that there were a number of charts in the Detroit Office which bore the heading "Division of Investigation."

Mr. Nicholson admits that this is true, and states that he did not request new charts until the Eureau recently called his attention by letter to the fact that charts bearing the present designation of the Eureau should be ordered. There is no question that he was negligent in this regard.

Memo for the Director - 3.-September 12, 1935 6. Mr. Foxworth states he noticed that at the Detroit Office there were 13 automobiles, approximately one for each agent. There are 14 agents assigned to the Detroit Office, and Mr. Nicholson states that all of the automobiles are assigned. He states the cars are kept in a garage which is not utilized by any other Government agency; that there are no available "in and out" records which anyone could examine; that all of the cars are in use, although not continuously, and that the cars are kept on the third floor of the garage in a place inaccessible to the general public. 7. I also called Mr. Nicholson's attention to the fact that it does not appear that he has kept the Director advised of developments in the Detroit district. I told him that there must be situations of interest to the Bureau in his district which should be called to the Director's attention, and that I had suggested to him when he went to Detroit as Agent in Charge that the Director expected him to advise of any situations there in which the Eureau has an official interest. Mr. Nicholson indicated that he did not know of anything which had transpired in the district which should have been called to the Director's attention and which was not so handled. I tried to get across to him the idea that the Director was dependent upon 37 different officials for information as to what is going on throughout the country in the crime situation, and that it does not appear he has given proper attention to this phase of the work. 8. I also spoke to Mr. Nicholson concerning his request for ennual leave recently, which was made a short time after he was put in charge of the office. He stated that he had been working hard and felt that the leave was required in order to permit him to get a much needed rest. I told him that obviously he should have written to the Director in this matter and should have pointed out to the Director the reason why he had asked for this leave, and that we had gotten the impression here that he was not properly interested in his duties. Memo for the Director

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RECOMMENDATION

From my conference with Mr. Nicholson, I gathered the very distinct impression that he does not have a good grasp of the proper manner in which to handle the administrative work of the Detroit Office. He gives the impression of being uncertain in his views and recommendations, and I feel that he must be classed as one of the least efficient agents in charge. I hesitate to make any definite recommendation in his case with the limited information at hand, and I suggest that you indicate to him your displeasure at his failure to properly set up his office, and that further action in his case be held in abeyance until it is possible for an inspection to be made of the Detroit Office.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

September 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

In connection with the attached papers concerning your conversation with Special Agent in Charge Micholson, of the Detroit Office, I personally conferred with Mr. Micholson on September 14, 1935, and at that time discussed with him in Setail this matathetic interest and grasp on his office from an administrative standpoint, and second, that his contacts in the district were not what they should be.

I told Mr. Nicholson I would give him another change and allow him to return to Detroit as Agent in Charge in a probationary status, rending an imspection of that office, and if it was then found his work was not in a satisfactory condition it would be necessary for me to remove him as Agent in Charge.

Very truly yours,

John Mdgar Hoover, Director.

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September 4, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Detroit Office.

While in the Detroit office on September let and 2nd, I noticed that the reception room of this office is located in a large room which is also utilized as a stemographers' and file room. There are no railings or partitions of any kind in this office and the only accommodations for visitors are a number of chairs placed against the wall. In this same room there are located the Agents' "in and out" register, the teletype machine, the office bulletin board, and the telephone over which incoming calls are received. There would be constant activity on the part of the stenographers and other employees in this room and I believe that it would create a bed impression upon callers.

I think a better arrangement in this office would be to utilize as a reception room the room now being used only for conference purposes, which adjoins and has direct access to the room of the Special Agent in Charge. To make this change would necessitate only the change in the room number of the Detroit office from 907 to 913, and the assignment of one of the stenographers or other clerical employees to work in this particular room for the purpose of receiving visitors.

If this room were used, persons sulling to see the Agents in the office might be shown to the Agents' rooms by making use of the public hallway rather than by passing through the offices of the other Agents, which is evidently now the custom. I believe this feature would be desirable inasmuch as under the present arrangement visitors are assorted through rooms where Agents are distating, holding conferences, or otherwise engaging in official business.

The office bulletin board is located in the room presently being used as the reception room and the stenographers; and file room, and on this bulletin board there is a complete list of the personnel of the Detroit office, showing their home address and telephone numbers. I am of the epinion that such information should not be posted in a place where it is accessible to the general public.

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The walls of the Detroit office, which are finished with white calcinine present a very soiled and untidy appearance throughout the office. In the reception room it was noted that someone had soiled the walls by propping his heels against them. It was further noted in the various rooms that dirty mater from the lavatories had been splashed on the walls. Generally, the walls appear to be in a dirty and untidy condition throughout the office and should be given a cleaning.

The following untidy conditions were also noticed: The various deaks in the Agents' rooms appeared to be dusty and dirky and did not appear to have been properly taken care of. This condition did not apply to the room of the Special igent in Charge, which was in a neat and orderly condition. It was noticed in a hallway between two of the offices, which hallway is used by the public, that two brooms were propped against the wall. An old deak in one of the Agents' rooms, near the detention room, is being used as a storage place for various firearn elecning supplies, dirty cloths, etc. A much better place to keep such supplies would be in one of the metal eabinets, of which this office has several. A beckesse in one of the Agents' recome had four or five old city directories piled on the top. In the bottom shelf of this booksese there has been thrown a quantity of read maps, presenting a very disorderly and untidy appearance. In the office of the Special Agent in Charge there were a number of charte, one showing the various field offices of the Bureau, one shart of the latent fincerprints relative to the Randagse extertion ease, a chart showing the progress of the fingerprint unit, and a chart relative to Martin Durkin, all of which carried the heading "Division of Investigation". The headings on these various charts should be changed to "Federal Bureau of Investigation". In the socalled reception room there are six sharts of a similar nature, five of which earry the title "Division of Investigation" rather them "Pederal Bureau of Investigation".

I also noticed while at the Detroit office that this office at the present time has thirteen automobiles -- seven Buicks and six Rudsens, which is approximately one automobile for each igent assigned to the office. This number of automobiles would appear to be in excess of the needs of this office.

Respectfully,

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Rederal Bureau of Investigation

N. S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 2118 Detroit - Michigan September 20, 1935

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

For the past several months, in fact, prior to my transfer to Detroit, Michigan, I have been considering resigning and feel at this time that the interests of both the Bureau and myself would be served best by taking this action. I am, therefore, submitting my resignation as Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

It is my understanding that I am entitled to accrued annual leave.

I shall be glad to have the Detroit Bureau Office inspected as I feel confident that the investigative files will be found in good condition.

I want you to know that I have enjoyed my work in the Bureau during the past four years and wish to express my best wishes for the future success of the Bureau and yourself.

With best personal regards, I remain,

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson

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Director Federal Bureau of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit my resignation as Acting-Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, effective at the close of business November 25, 1935, active duty ceasing at the close of business October 15, 1935.

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson

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Special Agent in Charge

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September 25, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan,

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Dear Mr. Nichelson:

With reference to your resignation which is being accepted effective at the close of business Nevember 26, 1935, active duty to cease October 15, 1935, it is desired that the following property charged to you be forwarded to the Bureau when you cease duty:

Brief Bag Manual of Rules and Regulations #71 National Bank Act As Amended 1930 Badge #694 .45 Automatic #175872 Holster New Commission Card #351 Chief Clerk's Manual #67

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

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September 25, 1985,

Mr. D. L. Hicholson, Federal Dureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 2118, Detroit, Michigan,

Dear Mr. Michelson:

I am is receipt of your letters of September 19 and September 20, 1988, submitting your resignation as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Envertigation, U. S. Department of Justice, effective at the close of business: November 26, 1938, active duty to sense at the close of business Cotéber 15, 1986.

I am very glad that you have enjoyed your enmoetion with this Bureau.

With best wishes, I am

Bisocrely yours,

John Migar Hoover, Director,

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Mr. D. L. Micholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 907 Federal Building, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Tou are hereby instructed to forward to the Bureau all Special Agent and Special Agent (4). examination and re-examination papers in your passession and also any interview sheets.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

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October 8, 1935.

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoovers

Yesterday the writer had lunch with Mr. R. J. Bounds. who is an assistant to Mr. Dort the Director of the investigative agency of the Works Progress Administration. As of interest it might be noted that Mr. Bounds indicated that former Special Agent in Charge T. F. Cullen has secured an appointment with the said organization. Mr. Cullen will probably have the designation of inspector and will function very much along the lines of the Bureau's inspectors. A former special agent by the name of J. L. Murphy also has been appointed as an investigator in the said service. It was mentioned by Mr. Bounds that possibly Special Agent in Charge D. L. Nicholson of the Detroit office will secure an appointment with the Norka Progress Administration. Mr. Bounds mentioned to the writer that it was rumored in Washington, D. C. that Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy was recently demoted for some reason or other, he istimating that possibly Mr. Conroy might identify himself with the referred to investigative agency.

Mr. Bounds indicated that his organization was experiencing a great deal of difficulty in the matter of securing high type investigative personnel. He stated that his organization is giving to applicants for positions an examination somewhat on the order of that given to Bureau applicants. He mentioned that the entrance salary is \$3,200 a year and that possibly some of the former Bureau employees who have identified themselves with the Works Progress

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Administration will be selected as Special Agents in Charge of some fourteen field offices that are to be opened by the Works Progress Administration.

According to Mr. Bounds the period of existence of said investigative agency of the Norks Progress Administration is limited to one year, yet he feels that there is a possibility that the said organisation will maintain its existence for a honger period of time. Mr. Bounds mentioned that the said investigative agency has only a limited appropriation to handle its work, while the Division of Investigation of the Department of Interior has at its command a large sum of money.

Mr. Bounds is quite friendly disposed toward the Bureau, and the writer has been informed by one of the applicants who was interviewed by Mr. Bounds that he, Mr. Bounds, compares the investigative organization of the Norks Progress Administration with the Bureau personnel, he mentioning that the same high type man as is in the Bureau is being selected for appointment in the Norks Progress Administration.

Very truly yours,

/s/ J. P. MacFARLAND Special Agent in Charge Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
October 4, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvenia Avenue at 9th Street, M.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted under separate cover by registered mail all Special Agent and Special Agent (A) examination or reexamination papers presently in my possession together with all interview sheets.

Very truly yours,

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D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge

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October 12, 1935

Mr. D. L. Micholson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, P. C. Eox 2118, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your contribution of \$10 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who may lose his life by violence in the line of official duty.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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950 Crescent Place, Chicago, Illinois, November 18, 1935

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

At the time my resignation was accepted in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, my annual leave was to terminate as of the close of business, November 26, 1935.

Inasmuch as I now have an opportunity to accept employment in another Government unit, it is requested that my annual leave terminate as of the close of business, November 15, 1935.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR No: Special Agent W. J. West

Mr. West telephoned from Detroit on October 15, stating that newspaper photographers desired his photograph and that of Mr. Wicholson in connection with his taking over the Detroit Office.

I approved his granting this request.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR
WASHINGTON

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The Honorable, The Attorney General.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Mr. Donald L. Nicholson has applied for a position with this Administration. At the time of the interview with Mr. Nicholson, it was understood that he had resigned his position with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice. However, it now appears that Mr. Nicholson was on annual leave.

Mr. Nicholson is being considered for a position as an Investigator at a salary of \$3500 per annum; which he reports is \$500 per annum less than he received from the Department of Justice.

If you have no objection, please advise me so that Mr. Nicholson may receive an appointment with this Administration.

Sincerely yours,

Administrator

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November 25, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nichelson, 950 Crescent Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sire

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of Movember 18, 1935, you are advised that your resignation as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, is being amended to be effective at the close of business Movember 15, 1935, active duty having ceased at the close of business October 15, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Hovember 25, 1935.

MIMORANDOM FOR MR. SORNBORGER, APPOINTMENT CLERK

With reference to the Bureau's memorandum of September 25, 1935, requesting that the resignation of Mr. D. L. Hicholson as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, be accepted effective at the close of business Nevember 26, 1935, it is requested that same be smended to be effective at the close of business Hovember 15, 1935.

Year tenly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Brien Molfahon, Acting Assistant to the Attorney General.

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December 2, 1935.

Honorable R. G. Tugwell, Administrator, Resettlement Administration, Washington, D. C.

Door Sirt

I have your communication of Hovember 21, 1995, addressed to the Atterney General, concerning Mr. Denald L. Micholson, who has applied for a position with the Resettlement Administration.

You are informed that Mr. Micholson's resignation was voluntarily submitted and was accepted without prejudice to him in any way. There is no objection on the part of this Bureau to the appointment of Mr. Micholson in the Resettlement Administration.

Yery truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U.S. DEPARTME 'T OF JUSTICE

November 30, 1935.

Mr. D. L. Nicholson, C/o Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

Dear Sir:

My acceptance of your resignation as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is hereby amended so that your resignation will be effective at the close of business on November 15, 1935, instead of at the close of business on November 26, 1938.

Respectfully,

s/ Homer S. Cummings,

Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

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Letter sent to: 950 Crescent Place, Chicago, Illinois.

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Mashington, D. C.

December 11, 1935.

Time - 1:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Former Special Agent Donald L. Nicholson.

Miss Henry of the Resettlement Administration, telephone District 6350, branch 4064, telephoned me and said that she has before her a letter from this Bureau dated December 2, 1935, which refers to a letter from that Administration addressed to the Attorney General dated November 21, 1935. The Bureau letter states that the resignation of the above named person as a Special Agent in this Bureau was accepted without prejudice to him, and the Bureau had no objection to his accepting a position in the Resettlement Administration.

She said that they are unable to find any record of the letter written to the Attorney General, and was just wondering if I would check in our files to see who the letter from them was signed by so that she might check further in their files.

I told her I would see what could be done about this.

The file of Mr. Nicholson is attached hereto.

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Mashington, D. C.

December 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Concerning the memorandum prepared by Mr. C. D. Ward, addressed to Mr. Tamm, dated December 11th, this is to advise that I telephonically communicated with Miss Henry of the Resettlement Administration, and informed her that the Director's letter addressed to Honorable R. G. Tugwell was in response to his communication addressed to the Attorney General dated November 21, 1935, concerning the previous employment record of a former Special Agent, D. L. Nicholson. She stated that apparently, the previous correspondence on Mr. Nicholson had been misplaced by their unit.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

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September 9, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Former Special Agent in Charge Nicholson, who is now employed by the Agriculture Department, telephonically communicated with me this morning.

He wanted to know whether we could furnish him with a list of the bankruptcy and anti-trust cases investigated by him during his tenure of service in the Bureau. I advised him this could not be done.

Respectfully,

V. R. Glavin

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Resettlement Administration and Farm Security Administration.

The writer recently talked with Special Agent A.A. Muzzey in regard to the Resettlement and Farm Credit Administration. Mr. Muzzey was formerly employed by the Resettlement Administration. He informed the writer that over a year ago the Farm Security Administration took over the Resettlement Administration. The Farm Security Administration has an Investigative Unit known as the Investigation Division, which employs approximately 60 investigators, who are known as Special Agents, the salaries of these Special Agents ranging from \$1800 to \$4600 per annum. The Investigation Division of the Farm Security Administration, which by the way is under the Department of Agriculture, has five field offices located at Washington, D. C., Birmingham, Alabama, Dallas, Texas, Salt Lake City, Utah and Chicago, Illinois. The following former Special Agents have some of the key positions in the Investigation Division of the Farm Security Administration:

R. T. Amis, Chief Investigator Arthur McLawhon, Assistant Chief Investigator D. L. Nicholson, Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, B. C. Field Office E. B. Johnson, Special Agent in Charge of the
Dallas Field Office Frank Brechenser, Special Agent in Charge of
the Salt Lake City Office and
John Dowd, Special Agent in Charge of the
Chicago Office.

The investigators for the Investigation Division conduct both criminal, civil and administrative investigations. The Special Agents conduct criminal investigations covering various frauds against the Farm Security Administration. Mr. Muzzey informed that it was his understanding matters of prosecution are turned over to the Works Progress Administration in order that they may be presented to the United States Attorneys for prosecution. This procedure was apparently adopted because of the fact that the various United States Attorneys were complaining of the number of various New Deal Agencies which were presenting matters for prosecution. The civil investigations are in the nature of ascertaining the financial responsibility, character and reputation of its debtors or clients. The administrative, investigations are in the nature of making surveys for projects

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which the Farm Security Administration might undertake

In view of the above information, it is suggested that when a new Bureau Bulletin is prepared in regard to the alphabetical cases that information be included indicating that cases arising out of the activities of the Ferm Security Administration should be referred to the nearest field office of that Administration.

Respectfully,

S. J. Drayton

October 9, 1937. MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Former Special Agent (A) R. G. McCallum, who has been a personal friend of mine for years, called at my office today to pass the time of day.

Mr. McCallum, you will recall, has been with the Resettlement Administration as Special Agent in Charge of one of its field offices. Mr. McCallum advised me that Resettlement Administration is now knows as the Farm Credit Administration and he at the present time is assigned as Special Agent in Charge of the Dallas Office. He stated there are five field divisions of that agency at the present time; former SAC John A. Dowd being in charge of the Birmingham Office and former SAC Nicholson being in charge of the Washington Field Office.

Mm. McCallum st ted that former Special Agent Joe McCarthy is no longer with Farm Credit agency. He advised me that McCarthy and former SAC J.E.P. Dunn have been hired by the Luciano interests to buildiup a defense for Luciano in an effort to secure new trial for him. McCallum advised that he had received information that McCarthy and Dunn had secured numerous statements from prosecution witnesses in this case to the effect that they, the prosecution witnesses, had committed perjury in their testimony during the trial of Luciano. McCallum advised that he had received information that Dunn and McCarthy had received a fee of approximately \$50,00 for locking up the defense on this case. He advised me further that Former SA McLawhon, former Agent at Norfolk, Virginia, is at the present time employed by the Farm Credit Administration.

I as further advised that former SA. W.E. Peters is now affiliated with Atherton, formerly a partner of Dunn's at Los Angeles.

I thought you might be interested in this information.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin.

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MONTHLY REPORT

Re: Special Agent D. L. Nicholson

Office: Detroit, Michigan

1. Pistol

Date: May 31, 1935

Has employee qualified as a Marksman or better during the past 30 days?

Yes () No () Grade (81)

Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots slow fire at 15 yards? Yes () No ()

Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots slow fire at 25 yards? Yes () No ()

Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots rapid fire at 15 yards? Yes () No ()

(In rapid fire each string of 5 shots is to be fired in 12 seconds.)

Is he thoroughly familiar with the mechanism of the gun issued to him? Yes () No ()

Is the gun issued to him in perfect condition? Yes () No ()

2. 12 Gauge Automatic Shotgun

Has employee fired at least 5 shots from this gun during the past 30 days?
Yes (*) No ()

Thompson Sub-machine Gun

Has employee during the past 30 days fired 10 shots slow fire at 25 yards? Yes () No () Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots in bursts at 25 yards? Yes () No ()

4. Gas Guns

Has employee at any time fired a projectile from the gas gun? Yes (*) No ()
Has employee at any time thrown a loaded hand grenade? Yes (*) No ()
Has employee during the last 30 days received practice in the use of the
gas mask? Yes (*) No ()
Has he witnessed the actual firing of a gas projectile during the past
30 days? Yes (*) No ()

5. 30.06 Bolt Action Rifle

Has employee during the past 30 days fired 10 shots at 200 yards from this gun? Yes (2) No () Grade (4)

6. .351 Autoloading Rifle

Has employee during the past 30 days fired 10 shots at from 100 to 125 yards from this gun? Yes () No () Grade ()

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7. Monitor Automatic Rifle

Has employee during the past 30 days fired 10 shots, single shot action, at 100 yards? Yes (X) No ()
Has employee during the past 30 days fired 10 shots, in short bursts at 100 yards? Yes (X) No ()

- Has this employee received training during the past month under your supervision in connection with the proper assembling and installing of the Vactuphone or listening device? Yes (X) No ()
- has this employee received instruction during the past month under your supervision in connection with the proper method of installing a dial number recording machine? Yes (X) No ()
- Has this employee during the last 30 days received instructions in the development of latent fingerprints? Yes (X) No ()
- Has this employee during the last 30 days received instructions in the lifting of latent fingerprints? Yes (X) No ()
- Has this employee during the last 30 days received instructions in the photographing of latent fingerprints? Yes (x) No ()

D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge.

Note: In the event any of the foregoing questions are answered in the negative an appropriate detailed explanation must be submitted to the Bureau with this report.

Although .351 Autoloading Rifles have been ordered, they have not been received at this office.

MONTHLY REPORT

Re: Special Agent D. L. Micholson

Office: Detroit, Mich.

1. Pistol

Date: July 2, 1935

Has employee qualified as a Marksman or better during the past 30 days?

Yes () No () Grade (85)

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Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots slow fire at 25 yards? Yes () No ()

Has he during the past 30 days fired 10 shots rapid fire at 15 yards? Yes () No ()

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Is the gun issued to him in perfect condition? Yes () No ()

2. 12 Gauge Automatic Shotgun

Has employee fired at least 5 shots from this gun during the past 30 days?
Yes () No ()

3. Thompson Sub-machine Gun

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D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge,

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.351 Autoloading Rifles have not been received by this office as yet.

MONTHLY REPORT

Special Agent D. L. Nicholson

Office: Detroit, Mich.

Pistol

Date: August 2, 1935

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D. L. Micholson Special Agent in Charge,

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October 22, 1941

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MEMORANDUM -

RE: DONALD L. NICHOLSON Former Special Agent

Mr. Mudd of the Federal Housing Administration requested the service record of the above-mentioned former Special Agent.

I informed him that Mr. Nicholson had entered on duty on August 23, 1931, and had resigned effective November 15, 1935 and that such resignation had been voluntary.

RSH. Laughlin

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Dear Sir (or Madam):

In order that the Commission may secure reliable information from which to form intelligent judgment as to the qualifications of the applicant whose name appears hereon, you are requested to answer candidly the following questions regarding his training, experience, and personal characteristics. If you prefer to cover these essential points in a letter to the Commission, it will be entirely satisfactory to do so; however, this form should be returned with your letter. Please avoid reference to politics, religion, and fraternal orders.

The Commission will appreciate your prompt attention to this request, and your cooperation with the Government in the selection of honest and competent employees for the public, service, The applicant may be certified. A return envelope, requiring no postage, is enclosed for your reply.

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April 22, 1942 -

United States Civil Service Commission Mashington, D. C.

Centlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your recent inquiry addressed to Mr. Hugh H. Clegg, regarding Mr. Donald L. Micholson, a former employee of this Bureau.

In reply, please be advised that Mr. Nicholson was employed as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, from August 3, 1931, to November 15, 1935, when he voluntarily submitted his resignation.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

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Washington, D. C. September 2, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMA

Re: DONALD L. NICHOLSON FORMER SPECIAL AGENT

	Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Nesse_

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Mr. Weinberg called and inquired as to whether the Bureau had at any time employed Donald L. Nicholson who is being considered for a position in Mr. Weinberg's office where

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Mr. Weinberg wished to know the status of Mr. Nicholson's record as a Bureau employee whereupon I advised him I would check his file and let him know as soon as possible.

he would handle personnel complaints. I advised Mr. Weinberg that Mr. Nicholson had at one time been with the Bureau and for a while was the Agent in Charge of our Detroit office.

ASEP 91919 D. M. Ladd

I called Mr. Weinberg on the morning of September 3rd and advised him that Nicholson had resigned of his own volition from the Bureau without prejudice and that his record had been good. Mr. Weinberg thanked medfor this information and advised he is considering utilizing Nicholson for the purpose of making personnel checks

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MR. TOLSON \

J. P. MOHR FROM:

DONALD L. WICHOLSON SUBJECT: Former Special Agent

Ed Poole, a former classmate of mine at Columbus University and a former member of the Metropolitan Police De-partment, White House Detail, called me today and in a general discussion brought up the question as to whether I was acquai; with Donald Nicholson, who was appointed on Monday, November 3, 1947, as Deputy Director of the Office of Controls, State Departmen and works directly under Hamilton Robinson.

I told Poole I did not know Nicholson and had never heard of him, whereupon Poole stated that Nicholson came in the State Department from another Government agency and that formerly he occupied some sort of a high position with the Bureau in the middle west, ostensibly in charge of one of our offices. I told him I still did not recall Nicholson and did not know anything about it.

Poole in reply to my question told me that he was employed in the Division of Security and Investigations which is the division headed by Chief Special Agent in Charge Fitch.

It was obvious from Poole's inquiry that he was fishing for information and he got absolutely nothing from me.

As a matter of fact, Nicholson entered on duty in the Bureau as a Special Agent on August 23, 1931 and resigned effective November 15, 1935. From April 1935 until the date of his resignation he was Acting SAC at Detroit and prior to that was #1 Man in the New York Office. His record was satisfactory. Mr. Peurifoy of the State Department checked with the Bureau concerning Nicholson and was add. S. vised upon approval from the Director that Nicholson's record with us was satisfactory. The foregoing is submitted for record purposes.

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THE DIRECTOR

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IR. EDW . A. TALE

lr. J. J. Peurifcy of the State Department telephoned and stated that he was still endeavoring to obtain semebody to head up the Special Agents Section of the St te Department. He stated the name of former Special Agent Donald L. Nicholson had been given to him but that before he contacted him, he wanted to check with the Dureau to determine whether Nicholson's record with the Durau was good.

If you approve, Mr. Peurifoy will be advised that Mr. Nicholson was in the Bureau's service from migust, 1931, to Movember, 1935; that he resigned of his own volition from the Bureau without prejudice, and that his record had been satisfactory. This information has been furnished on various occasions to other persons who have inquired about Michelson.

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W. R. GLAVIN

May 14, 1946

J. P. MOHR

JOHN ALOYSIUS KLAUER, JR. DONALD L. NICHOLSON I MARSHALL HOUTS Former Special Agents

The service records of the abovenance former Special Agents were furnished to Mr. Leo Laughlin of the War Assets Administration on May 6, 1946. Mr. Laughlin was informed that the service records on Micholson and Houts were satisfactory; however, with respect to Klauer, the Bureau could not recommend him due to the fact that his record was less than average and that when he resigned to go into the Army it was felt he was no great loss.

The foregoing is submitted for record purposes.

Mr. Tolson
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

Mr. D.M. Ladd

DATE: July 17, 1952

FROM

A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT:

DONALD L. NICHOLSON

CHIEF, DIVISION OF SECURITY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Mr. Donald L. Nicholson (former Bureau Agent) informed Mr. Roach today that he is being transferred to Stuttgart, Germany, as Executives Assistant to the Counsul General of Stuttgart. He stated that this assignment will keep him abroad for the next two years. He stated that it was a part of the State Department "rotation" plan whereby noncareer officers are given assignments abroad to round out their backgrounds and knowledge of information pertaining to their particular desk.

Mr. Nicholson's assistant, John Ford, will replace Nicholson as Chief of the Division of Security and will serve in this capacity for the period of time that Ni cholson is abroad.

Mr. John Ford is a former Bureau Agent who served in the Domestic Field and in SIS. His services in SIS were those of a clerical capacity. He has been with the State Department for the past two or three years, having served as Regional Security Officer in Paris, France. Mr. Ford has been very cooperative and helpful in our relations with the State Department. No difficulties are anticipated when he takes over as Chief of the Division.

ACTION:

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This memorandum is prepared for your information. There is attached a proposed letter to Mr. Nicholson over the Director's signature. Nicholson's new assignment has been discussed with Mr. George Van Noy, the Bureau's Liaison Representative in Germany. Attachment RRP:jmr

DIRECTORS NOTATION" LET ME HAVE SUMMARY OF OUR FILES ON FORD H ."

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • United States Government

ro : Mr. Glavin

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: DONALD L. NICHOLSON

Former Special Agent

DATE: April 24, 1950

PERMANENT BRIEF

Entered on Duty
Reported to Field
Resigned
Grade and Salary
Last Salary Change
Age
Marital Status
Education

Member of Bar Legal Residence Offices of Preference Marksmanship Last Efficiency Rating Outstanding Endorsers

Previous Offices of Assignment:

8-23-31 assigned 7-7-32 transferred transferred 8-29-32 10-27-32 transferred transferred 3-15-33 transferred ' 9-28-33 5-22-34 transferred 10-22-34 transferred as #1 Man transferred as Acting SAC 4-29-35 11-15-35 resigned

8-3-31 8-23-31 11-15-35 CAF-11, \$4000 3-16-35 44 Married Bachelor of Arts Degree Bachelor of Laws Degree District of Columbia Ear Spangler, Pennsylvania (1935) None Qualified 94% Former Senators James J. Davis, David A. Reed. Former Congressman J. Russell Leech.

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This employee entered on duty 8-3-41 as a Special Agent in Grade CAF-8, \$2900 per annum. At the conclusion of his training period, Inspector Keith said his demeanor was particularly quiet. At first he did not impress Mr. Keith as being very aggressive, but it was believed that he had latent ability along this line. Mr. Keith did not expect him to warrant consideration for any administrative position in the Bureau, but did believe that he would develop into a good field investigator.

On 8-23-31 he was assigned to the Detroit Office.

On 9-23-31 SAC Reimcke rated him FAIR and stated he presented a pleasing appearance, and seemed to have a fair amount of poise. He appeared to have the intelligence and comprehension to conduct satisfactory and thorough investigations; that the first few investigations made by him overlooked some important details; that these were, however, called to his attention; that he believed the necessity for careful supervision of his work would soon disappear; that in conversation he might not impress one as having much force and energy; that he believed that this was contrary to the truth; that his work demonstrated aggressiveness; that he appeared to have a good educational background and to be thoroughly intelligent. His SAC stated that he displayed considerable knowledge, judgment and initiative, and he felt quite certain that he would develop by the next efficiency rating date into at least a good Agent.

During an Inspection of the Detroit Office in November - December, 1931, Inspector Clegg said he made a mice appearance, could make investigations expeditiously, and his progress had been splendid. He was willing, appeared to have good taste, and gave an impression of being somewhat quiet and perhaps lacking in some element of forcefulness, due perhaps to his newness in the service and his lack of confidence, which might be attributed to his lack of experience; however, he gave indication that these qualities would steadily improve. Inspector Clegg was of the opinion that he offered some promise for future development.

By letter dated 1-18-32 he was advised that he made a grade of 75.5% on the examination conducted by Inspector Clegg. The Bureau desired to state that this showing was unsatisfactor and that it expected an immediate improvement.

By letter dated 2-16-32 his SAC was advised that he was being entered on the Bureau's rolls of those qualified to handle bankruptcy cases.

During an Inspection of the Detroit Office in March, 1932, Inspector Clegg said he was a nice looking young man, who appeared to have made satisfactory progress. He was now resident agent at Cleveland. He did not impress one as being particularly energetic or enthusiastic, although no evidences of slowness were found in his handling of his work or his activities about the office. He seemed to be of somewhat above the average intelligence and ability. His prospects might be slightly above the average.

On 5-5-32 Acting SAC Reinecke stated that he was clean cut with a good personal appearance, he was slightly shy in the matter of personality but not very much so, he was extremely intelligent with above average initiative and might deserve observation by the Bureau at a later date for supervisory ability, and he had made above the average headway in training himself in the Bureau's work.

On 7-7-32 he was transferred to the Washington Field Office.

On 7-9-32 SAC Larson said he was recently transferred to the Washington Field Office. He had performed very satisfactory service as a resident agent at Cleveland. He applied himself well, was possessed with good common sense and was industrious. He wrote a clear, concise report and his dictation was good. He made good contacts, had the Bureau's work at heart, and every indication pointed to the fact that he was interested in same. Although he had been in the Bureau service slightly less than one year, he was able to handle any type of case with little supervision. He was qualified to perform bankruptcy investigations and had shown good results on Antitrust matters. In his SAC's opinion, he was absolutely reliable and dependable and could be considered a very satisfactory employee.

On 8-5-32 SAC Keith said he performed his work with a high degree of efficiency. He had been used for several weeks as resident agent at Roanoke, Va., and the quality and quantity of work hamiled by him in that district had been extremely satisfactory. He had an excellent educational background, presented a splendid appearance and approach, and in his SAC's opinion, had administrative ability, which not only warranted his retention in the service, but which fitted him for a supervisory position.

During an Inspection of the Washington Field Office in August, 1932, Inspector Egan said he presented a good appearance, seemed willing and interested but, in Inspector Egan's opinion, was just a little timid which would probably be overcome with more training. It was believed at this time his status could best be shown as Fair.

On 8-29-32 he was transferred to the Identification and Laboratory Division as Supervisor.

On 8-30-32 Acting SAC Little said during his assignment at the Washington Field Office, he had been resident agent at Roanoke, Virginia and had handled his assignments there in a highly satisfactory manner. He was neat in appearance, possessed a very pleasant manner and approach and he exhibited a highly satisfactory knowledge of the Bureau and its work. With the exception of a few minor errors in form, his work had warranted no close supervision and his reports from the field had been submitted promptly, neatly typed. He covered his assignments rapidly and thoroughly.

In a memorandum to the Director dated 9-27-32, Mr. Schilder said he seemed to have a good mind, was industrious, interested in his work, and apparently was trying very hard to make a satisfactory record. To Mr. Schilder's way of thinking, he was a desirable type of employee but he seemed to be sadly lacking in force or aggressiveness. The principal errors chargeable to him during his assignment to date had been, first, his failure to properly reprimand Card Index Section employees for talking and for not working industriously, as well as for his failure to note that all matters were properly filed and followed up within the prescribed time. Mr. Schilder had pointed out to him his deficiencies in this respect and he seemed to have corrected his faults somewhat. However, Mr. Schilder thought that he was naturally timid and must acquire the faculty of supervising employees in the required manner. In addition, he had approved letters which contained typographical errors, and this had been called to his attention. He left an official paper in the men's wash room which was found and turned in to Mr. Schilder. The Director noted, "Better watch this carefully as I doubt whether this man is at the present time qualified to handle personnel".

Vn 10-27-32 he was transferred back to the Washington Field Office in view of his unsatisfactory work as a supervisor.

On 11-28-32 SAC Keith said he had made remarkable progress. He appeared to be qualified to

handle all types of Bureau investigations. During the period of his assignment SAC Keith had been particularly impressed with the speed, accuracy and efficiency with which he had undertaken his assignments. He dictated his reports rapidly and concisely and achieved excellent results.

On 3-15-33 he was transferred to the Philadelphia Office.

On 3-16-33 SAC Keith said his opinion of him and his ability as a field agent had not changed since his 11-28-32 report was submitted.

On 4-15-33 SAC Harvey said he had a very good understanding of the duties of his position and exhibited good judgment in the conduct of his investigations. He had been handling a large volume of bankruptcy work in a very capable manner. He possessed, in his SAC's opinion, a better than average understanding of all of the duties of his position and was competent to conduct investigations in practically all of the classifications of Bureau work. His work in this office had been entirely satisfactory.

By letter dated 9-8-33 his SAC was advised that his name had been placed among those considered qualified to conduct Antitrust investigations.

On 9-28-33 he was transferred to the Detroit Office.

On 10-30-33 SAC larson said he was a very fine employee, industrious, willing and aggressive. Since his assignment to the office, he had worked on various types of cases and had clearly demonstrated complete knowledge of the Divisions work. He handled his assignments with unusual dispatch and went thoroughly into each and every natter. His work required practically no supervision and his SAC had been greatly impressed by his initiative. He went about his work in a business-like, unassuming manner and accomplished excellent results. From all indications he possessed some executive ability and it was his SAC's recommendation that he be given an opportunity to demonstrate same as a number one man.

On 2-16-34 he received a reallocation to Grade CAF-9, \$3200 per annum.

On 4-9-34 the Director advised that intalking with Mr. Clegg at St. Paul, he referred to the ability of Agent Nicholson in handling the review of reports and the supervision of clerical natters. He stated he was particularly adept in this qualification and that he was better along these limes than serving in a strictly investigative capacity.

On 5-22-34 he was transferred to the St. Paul Office.

On 7-1-34 he received a reallocation to Grade CAF-10, \$3500 per annum.

On 7-9-34 Mr. Clegg said he was doing quite a bit of paper work on the special assignment and was number one man of the St. Paul Office. He had good judgment, considered to be above average in fact. He was able to keep his feet on the ground and he was mild mannered and tactful. It was believed that he was possessed of all qualifications except the necessary vigorousness and forcefulness in handling personnel and it might be that he had these qualities and with an opportunity would bring them out. His mild manner, however, was not indicative of such qualities. He had never, he stated, been assigned to a supervisory position in the Division and it was recommended that when an opportunity presented itself for such an assignment, he be given this consideration. His handling of paper work, his

knowledge of details and files, his devotion and application of duty, his working long hours and the general effectiveness of work assigned to him had been of a high quality.

On 7-17-34 SAC Ladd said he had a very good knowledge of the Division's work. He was extremely good in reviewing involved and lengthy files. He was loyal, industrious and voluntarily devoted a great deal of overtime to his work. He was a good dictator. It was believed that he could be well used in the more dangerous type of assignments. He had the ability to supervise the work of others and believed that at a later date the Division might desire to observe his handling of one of the supervisory positions. SAC Ladd believed his main fault to be his lack of force.

On 8-16-34 he received a reallocation to Grade CAF-11, \$3800 per annum.

On 10-22-34 he was transferred to the New York Office as Number One Man.

On 11-23-34 SAC Fay said he had been engaged in a supervisory capacity since assignment to the office. He had capabilities of better than possessed by the average Agent, and with added experience in the district would be a valuable asset to the office.

By letter dated 2-14-35 he was commended for work performed by him in connection with the apprehension of Robert Maiz, with aliases, Walter Legenze, and others.

By letter dated 3-13-35 he was advised that he made a grade of 83% on the examination taken by him at the conclusion of the recent Special Agents in Charge Conference.

On 3-16-35 he received an increase to \$4000 per annum in Grade CAF-11.

On 4-29-35 he was transferred to the Detroit Office as Acting SAC.

On 8-15-35 Mr. Tolson said he appeared to have been administering the affairs of the Office in a satisfactory manner. However, it was noted that recently he applied for an extended leave of absence, despite the fact that he was just recently placed in charge of the Detroit Office.

In a memorandum to Mr. Tolson ated 9-21-35, the Director advised that he personally contacted SAC Nicholson and discussed with him in detail that he did not seem to have a good grasp on his office from an administrative standpoint and that his contacts in the district were not what they should be. The Director told him that he would give him another chance and allow him to return to Detroit as SAC in a probationary status, pending an inspection of that office, and if it was then found his work was not in a satisfactory condition it would be necessary to remove him as SAC.

On 11-15-35 he resigned from the Bureau.

By letter dated 11-21-35 Administrator R. G. Tugwell of the Resettlement Administration advised that Mr. Nicholson was being considered for a position as an Investigator at a salary of \$3500 per annum.

In a memorandum to Mr. Tolson dated 9-9-38, Mr. Glavin advised that former SAC Nicholson, who was now employed by the Agriculture Department, telephonically communicated with him and wanted to know whether we could furnish him with a list of the bankruptcy and anti-

trust cases investigated by him during his tenure of service in the Bureau. He was advised that this could not be done.

On 10-22-41 Mr., Laughlin advised that Mr. Hudd of the Federal Housing Administration requested the service record of Former Agent Nicholson which was furnished.

The service record of former Agent Nicholson was furnished to Leo Laughlin of the War Assets Administration on 5-6-46.

In a memorandum to the Director dated 9-13-47, Mr. Tamm advised that J. J. Peurifoy of the State Department telephoned and stated that he was still endeavoring to obtain somebody to head up the Special Agents Section of the State Department. He stated the name of former Agent Nicholson had been given to him and he would like to have Nicholson's record which was furnished him.

In a memoranium to Mr. Tolson dated 11-7-47, Mr. Mohr advised that Ed Poole, a former classmate of his at Columbus University and a former member of the Metropolitan Police Department, White House Detail, called him and in a general discussion brought up the question as to whether he was acquainted with Donald Nicholson, who was appointed on 11-3-47 as Deputy Director of the Office of Controls, State Department, and worked directly under Hamilton Robinson. Mr. Mohr told Mr. Poole that he did not know Nicholson and had never heard of him. It was obvious from Poole's inquiry that he was fishing for information and he got absolutely nothing from Mr. Mohr.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM. UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: April 27, 1950

FROM : MR. LADD

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION OF THE SECURITY DIVISION

STATE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Donald L. Nicholson, (former Bureau agent), Chief of the Security Division, State Department, called Mr. Roach this morning and stated that his Division is to be investigated by the Senators now serving on the Senate Subcommittee hearing the McCarthy charges. The investigation grew out of a statement made by Senator Brewster of Maine on the Floor when discussing the activities of the investigative group in the State Department. Senator Mundt of South Dakota stated that recent State Department activities (he referred to the alleged investigation of Mr. Kenneth Crawford of "Newsweek" by State Department investigator), warranted an investigation of their activities and that he, Mundt, intended to see that it was done.

Nicholson advised that although no one is in his office now making the check, he expects them soon.

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ADDENDUM: (4/28/50, ilw). The records reveal that Mr. John E. Peurifey on September 13, 1947, prior to the time that Nicholson was appointed to his present position, called Mr. Tamm of the Eureau and stated that he was endeavoring to obtain someone to head-up the Special Agent Section of the State Department. He stated that the name of former Special Agent Donald L. Nicholson had been given to him and that before he contacted Nicholson, he wanted to check with the Bureau to determine whether Nicholson's record with the Bureau was good. Mr. Peurifoy was subsequently informed by Mr. Tamm of the dates of Nicholson's service with the Bureau and that he resigned of his own volition without prejudice and that his record had been satisfactory. (He was not recommended for the position by the Bureau). RRR.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

MR. H. B. FLETCHER

DATE: February 6, 1950

FROM

V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: ICIS SUBCOMMITTEE PERSONNEL

RECOMMENDATION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT January 7, 1952 DATE: OFFICE OF SECURITY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE STROPSIS: The Office of Security and/or Investigative Division o the Department of State dates back to 1933. Relations between Bureau and State presently good. Conditions in past have varied as a result of past unfriendly personnel. Organizational structure believed to be good with personnel as the weakest part of the security setup. PURPOSE: This memorandum summarizes pertinent information concerning the Office of Security, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. There will be shown the office structure, functions, and its relations with the Bureau. Certain pertinent observations are set forth. HISTORY: EX. - IUI OFFICE STRUCTURES 2 DE: RECORDED 4-26 eexchart attached Organizatio The Party of the P

Memo to Mr. Ladd, 1-7-53

Re: Office of Security
U. S. Department of State

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Mr. John W. Ford is presently the Chief of the Office of Security. He has only been recently appointed to this position, having succeeded Mr. Donald L. Nicholson. Both of these persons are former Buneau Agents. Mr. Ford, like Mr. Nicholson before him, were chosen for the position of head of the Office of Security in view of their FBI background. Mr. Nicholson at one time was Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau's Detroit Office, while Mr. Ford served only as a Special Agent in the domestic and SIS field during the war. Both of these former agents left the Bureau by voluntary resignations.

OFFICE FUNCTIONS:

<u>Investigations</u>

Referral/Direct

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U. S. Department of State

<u>Evaluations</u>

Nemo to Mr. Ladd, 1-7-53 Re: Office of Security
U. S. Department of State

The relations between the Department of State Office of Security and the FBI at the present time and since the middle of 1948, when Mr. Donald L. Nicholson (former Bureau Agent) took over, have been satisfactory and have been greatly improved to relations in prior years when the then Chief of the Investigative Division, Thomas Fitch, was openly hostile to the Bureau. It can be stated that the relations between the Investigative Division and/or the Office of Security of the Department of State and the FBI have been as varied in cooperativeness or hostility as the personnel who headed these offices have been between the years 1933 and 1953. For example, it was necessary on November 6, 1947, for the Bureau to declare persona non grafa Hamilton Robinson, who then served as the Director of the Office of Consular Affairs under which the Investigative Division, headed by Thomas Fitch, operated. On May 21, 1948, Samuel D. Boykin replaced Mr. Robinson and the then Deputy Under Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy was replaced by Mr. Carlisle H. Humelsine. Since assuming their duties both Humelsine and Boykin have done everything possible to improve the Department of State's relations with the Bureau and have done much see that persons such as Thomas Fitch, former Chief of the investig tive staff, have been removed from their positions. There still remains, however, in the lower echelons of the Security Office certain persons who outwardly pretend to be cooperative but who are in fact. anti-Bureau and were closely associated with the group formerly headed by Robinson, Fitch, et al.

It can be stated that the present head of the Office of Security, Mr. John W. Ford, has done everything that he can to be Off assistance to the Bureau. He has gone to considerable lengths to ECC

Memo to Mr. Ladd, 1-7-53

Re: Office of Security U.S. Department of State

that the persons working under him extend all possible cooperation. It is believed that if he continues in his present position, the Bureau's relations will continue to be satisfactory with the Department of State.

OBSERVATIONS:

As can be noted, the Department of State Office of Security is in direct line from the Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration, which job is a political appointment. It is to be further noted that the present Director of the Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, Mr. Boykin, is a political appointment and, therefore, it can be logically assumed that both of these positions will be filled by new personnel by the new Administration.

The organizational structure of the Office of Security appears to be sound. The weakest point, however, in the entire structure is probably the personnel that man the various posts of authority, namely, Travis L. Fletcher, Chief of In-

vestigations;

and James S. Regan, Administrative Officer. All of these persons are iholdovers from the old regime and at least two of them, are proteges of Hamilton Robinson. Fletcher is what is some-Itimes described as a "government bun." He has drifted from one department of the Government to another over a period of years. His name figured quite prominently in the five percenter investigation as it was alleged that he took bribes while serving with the U.S. Office of Foreign Liquidation.

Ur. John W. Ford, the Chief of the Office of Security, is a most sincere individual and was placed in his present position by Ur. Boykin primarily because he had formerly been with the Bureau. Wr. Boykin has admitted on several occasions that notwithstanding the personality, they desired a former Bureau employee to head the Office of Security to ward off the many attacks on the Department of State by Senator Joseph McCarthy, Mr. Roach, who conducts liaison with the Department of State, feels that although Mr. Ford is trying very hard to do a good job and to be cooperative with the Bureau, he lacks both administrative ability and investigative ability (his service in the Bureau was very short) to carry on the work that he is now doing. He is, however, probably the best former Bureau Agent now employed the Department of State in the security field. Were we consulted her

ACTION:

This memorandum is prepared for your information. None.

Secretary Dean G. Acheson **Under Secretary** David Bruce Deputy Under Secretary Deputy Under Secretary for for Political Affairs Administration H. Freeman Matthews Carlisle H. Humelsine Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs Samuel D. Boykin Office of Security Chief John W. Ford b6 per FBI Referral/Direct b7C per FBI Division of Investigations: T. L. Fletcher January 7, 1953 OFFICE OF SECURITY 39749-1859

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. GLAVIN

DATE: October 16, 19 pools

FROM :

H. L. EDWARDS

SUBJECT:

DONALD L. MICHOLSON

EOD 8-23-31

Resigned 11-15-35 Former Special Agent SERVICE RECORD INQUIRY Marbo
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A request has been received from the Name Check Section, Investigative Division, for the service record of former SA Donald L. Wicholson based on an inquiry received from the Department of State where he is presently employed. All information concerning Nicholson had been furnished to Mr. J. J. Peurifoy, Department of State, September 13, 1947.

Department of State, advised however that no record was ever made by the Department of State concerning the Bureau service of Nicholson and desires the service record summary for the completion of the file on Nicholson.

Nicholson entered on duty in the Bureau as a Special Agent Aygust 23, 1931. He served in the Detroit, Washington Field, Philadelphia, St. Paul and New York Offices and was Acting SAC of the Detroit Office from April 29, 1935, until he submitted his voluntary resignation which became effective November 15, 1935, when he was in Grade CAF-II earning \$4000.00EFE ahnum.

Nicholson received a "fair" performance rating September 23, 1931. He was criticised January 18, 1932 and Warch 13, 1935, for failing manual examinations. Former Inspector Egan commented in August, 1932, that Nicholson was just a 1 ttle timid and considered his status at that time as "fair." His supervised commented; in force and aggressiveness, that he reflected deficiencies as an administrator and the Director commented "Better watch this carefully as I doubt whether this man is at present time qualified to handle personnel." Nicholson was then transferred October 27, 1932, from the Bureau to the Washington Field Office because of his unsatisfactory work as a supervisor. Subsequent comments concerning his work performance were favorable until July 17, 1934, when Mr. Ladd made a comment that Nicholson's main fault appeared to be his lack of force. Nicholson was commended February 14, 1935, for work performed in connection with arrests. On August 15, 1935, Mr. Tolson commented that Nicholson appeared to be administering the affairs of the Detroit Office satisfactorily except that he had applied for an extended leave of absence despite his having recently been placed in charge of that office.

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The Director personally contacted Nicholson September 14, 1935, advising Nicholson he did not seem to have a good grasp of his office from an administrative standpoint, that his district contacts were lacking, that he was giving him another chance to return to Detroit as SAC in a probationary status and that if his work was not found to be satisfactory, following a pending inspection, it would be necessary to remove him as SAC.

By letter dated September 20, 1935, Nicholson submitted his resignation to the Director, stating that he felt it would be to the best interest of the Bureau and to himself. He did not elaborate further as to his reason for resigning.

His service record was furnished December 2, 1935, to the Resettlment Administration; October 22, 1941 to the Federal Housing Administration; April 22, 1942, to the United States Civil Service Commission; May 6, 1946, to War Assets Administration; September 13, 1947, verbally to Mr. J. J. Peurifoy, Department of State. On January 20, 1950, the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security requested a name check on Nicholson. No additional requests have been received since then until the present one.

The Liaison Section advised October 13, 1953, that since at least July 20, 1952, Nicholson has been employed by the Department of State as Special Assistant to the American Consul at Bonn, Germany.

It is noted that Nicholson resigned from the Bureau at a time when his services were not critically needed and his file contains no statement indicating any adverse comment made by him since he left the Bureau. In view of his overall work record and the fact that he resigned from the Bureau at a time when he was on probation as SAC of the Detroit Office for administrative deficiencies, it is believed no comment should be made in the attached service record summary pertaining to the quality of his services, character, or integrity.

RECOMMENDATION

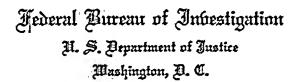
That the attached service record summary be approved and routed to SA J. J. Daunt, Name Check Section, Investigative Division, for transmittal to the Department of State in accordance with that agency's request.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR



November 25, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SORNBORGER, APPOINTMENT CLERK

With reference to the Bureau's memorandum of September 25, 1935, requesting that the resignation of Mr. D. L. Nicholson as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, be accepted effective at the close of business November 26, 1935, it is requested that same be amended to be effective at the close of business November 15, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Approved:

acting Assistant to the Attorney General

October 4, 1955.

Mr. D. L. Michalom, Todoral Bureau of Investigation, Department of Fastice.

Sir

Your resignation as Special agent in the Pateral Bureau of Investigation is hereby accepted, effective at the close of business on November 26, 1985.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

Harold M. Sternham

Assistant to the Attorney General.

Grade CAF-11, \$4000 per annum.

Kederal Bureau of Investigation

H. S. Pepartment of Instice Washington, D. C. September 25, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SORNBORGER, APPOINTMENT CLERK

It is requested that a letter be prepared accepting the resignation of the following employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as indicated, who is paid from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation", FIELD:

NAME

POSITION

EFFECTIVE CLOSE OF BUSINESS

Mr. D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent, Caf 11, \$4000 per annum November 26, 1935

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Approved:

The Assistant to the Attorney

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Warch 15, 1955

MOMORANDUM FOR MR. SOMNINGER, APPOINTMENT CLERE

It is requested that letters be prepared transferring the following employees of the Division of Investigation, as indicated, payable from the appropriation for "Sclaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", FIELD, effective March 16, 1935:

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Br. Harold G. Grary	Clerk, Caf ?, \$1440 per annua, New York Office	Clork, Caf 2, \$1500 per amus, Now York Office
Mr. Himrod Resbit	Clerk, Caf E, \$1440 per annum, New York Office	Clerk, Caf 2, \$1500 per engage, New York Office
Mr. W. A. Scheer	Typist, Caf 2, \$1500 per ammum, New York Office	Typist, Caf £, \$1500 per annum, New York Office
Miss Dorothy E. Mesher	Stenographer, Caf E, \$1880 per annua, New York Office	Stenographer, Caf 5, \$174 per annum, Sew York Offic
Mr. N. J. Cassidy	Special Agent, Caf 8, \$2900 per ammus	Special Agent, Cof 8, \$6100 per annum
Mr. Donald L. Micholson	Special Agent, Caf 11, \$8600 per engus	Special Agent, Caf 11, 34000 per annum
Mr. William A. Smith	Special agent, Gaf 11,	Special Agent, Caf 11, \$4600 per somum

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Approved:

William Stanley,
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

CC: Mr. Sernborger

General Agent

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august 13, 1934.

Mr. D. L. dicholson, Division of Investigation, Department of Justice.

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You are hereby transferred as a Special gent of the Division of Investigation, Department of Justice, from Grade Caf-10 with salary at the rate of 3500 per annum, to Grade Caf-11, with salary at the rate of 3800 per annum, effective with entry on duty, and payable from the appropriation for "Balaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation," FIELD.

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despectfully,

(Signed) William Stanley

acting attorney General.

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July 33, 1934.

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Yery truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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The Assistant to the Attorney General.

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against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and
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mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faith-
fully discharge the duties of the office of
Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States
Department of Justice
on which I am about to enter: So help me God.
(Sign here) D.S. Tichelon
Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only)penna
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MESORANION FOR MR. SORNBORGER, APPOINTMENT CLERK

It is requested that letters be prepared transferring the following employees of the Division of Investigation, as indicated, payable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Division of Investigation", FIELD, effective with entry on duty:

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Very truly yours,

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Approved:

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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February 16, 1934.

Mr. D. L. Micholson, To Division

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Bureau of Investigation,

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Division are hereby transferred from one position to another in the Bureau of Investigation as indicated below:

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Special Agent

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Caf-8

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By the Attorney General:

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Assistant Attorney General approved 3/5/34, Journal 52.

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Position in the Bureau of Investigation abolished, effective at close of August 9, 1933, and reappointed, effective August 10, 1933, to the Division of Investigation, same title, grade and salary, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 6166 dated June 10, 1933. Oath of office under this reappointment filed herewith. Individual letters not written. Reappointments made by means of a list approved by the Attorney General and the President.



STANDARD FORM No. 6 (Approved by the President 3/28/24) Revised Dec. 5, 1929

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Mr. Milton M. Adelman, Chicago, Ili.
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Mr. Welter A. Miller, Oak Park, Ill.
Mr. Andrew Howard, Glasier Park, Nont.
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Yery thely yours, For the Director,

Assistant Director.

Approved

Assistant Attorney General. CO to Mr. Sernburger CO to Mr. Allieon.

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